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DELEGATES LISTEN TO

TEXAS R. R. COMMISSIONER

Guthrie, Okla., Dec. 15.—For two hours last afternoon the constitutional convention listened to Hon. O. B. Colquitt of the Texas Railway Commission on the working of that branch of the State Government, and offering suggestions in the formation of Oklahoma's organic law.

An additional hour was spent by delegates making inquiries as to the best method of corporate control in the new State, of rate making and the exercise of police powers by the State.

The galleries and lobbies were packed, some of those attending having traveled from Indian Territory to hear the Texas official.

The convention was not disappointed in its expectancy, as the speaker told them much of which they wished to know, and from the frequent interruption with applause the delegates are in sympathy with his suggestions.

Mention of the late Gov. Hogg and his fight for the rights of the people against aggression of corporate power, President Roosevelt's instrumentality in securing certain Federal relief, W. J. Bryan's most recent advocacy of public ownership, as well as his own sentiment favoring right of the State to

purchase railroad lines as the ultimate means of solving the vexations of traffic problems, all stirred the convention to the limits of its enthusiasm.

Upon conclusion of his address Mr. Colquitt was tendered a vote of thanks by the convention.

The convention transacted no business at the morning session.

Railroad Man Injured

A young man belonging to the M. K. & T. extra gang near town suffered his foot severely mashed Saturday morning by the fall of a heavy timber. The local railroad surgeon dressed the injured member and sent the young man to the company's hospital at Slatonia, Mo.

Small Residence Blaze.

Just before noon Saturday fire was discovered among some papers behind a heater in the home of Dr. Shands. In putting out the flames Miss Stovall, one of our teachers, was slightly burned on the face and hands. So little headway had been gained by the fire that not more than \$50 worth of damage was done the building.

HOUSE INDIAN BILL MAKES \$7,500,000 APPROPRIATION

Washington, Dec. 15.—The house committee on Indian affairs has whipped the Indian appropriation bill into shape and instructed Chairman Sherman to report it. The bill carries appropriations aggregating \$7,500,000 as against \$9,000,000 last year. In all work to be done on the Indian reservations under the direction of the government preference must be given to Indian labor; likewise purchases of supplies. The Interior department is authorized to purchase stock cattle for various Indian tribes. The sum of \$125,000 is set aside for the construction of irrigation projects on Indian reservations. The department is also given \$40,000 to be used in delivering deeds to allottees.

The Indian Territory fares well under the bill. The sum of \$300,000 was appropriated for the country schools. Last year it was \$150,000. The same amount was put in the bill this time, and after a motion was made and carried to report the bill with the \$150,000 item in it Judge J. H. Shepherd, of South McAlester, who happened to be in the room, asked for a hearing. It was granted. He showed the deplorable condition of educational affairs in the rural districts, and pointed to the big per cent of illiteracy among rural children there. He said it was a disgrace to civilization. Chairman Sherman agreed with him and thought the committee should do something to improve school facilities. Whereupon the motion to report the bill was reconsidered and the amount for rural schools doubled.

Here is what the Indian Territory gets out of the bill, aside from the school appropriation: Indian agent, \$3,000; special clerks to handle town site business, \$6,000; Creek and Cherokee leasing department, \$30,000; clerks to handle sales of inherited lands, \$30,000; for the removal of intruders, \$15,000; to enable department to remove restrictions, \$25,000; for incidentals for the service, \$23,000; for clerks and incidental expense inspector's office, \$18,000; for maintaining and enlarging tribal schools, of five nations, \$150,000; for the completion of allotment work, \$157,000; for annuities to Choctaws, \$10,500; for interest on Choctaw funds, \$19,500; for education of Quapaws, \$1,500; for interest on S. minole funds, \$28,500; for

care of the insane Indians, \$35,000.

Contrary to expectations no item was included for the removal of restrictions except that providing for the expense of officers to prepare records for the removal of restrictions. It is understood that the senate will try and amend the bill to wipe out restrictions. Congressman Curtis says the house will not stand for that; it might meet the senate half way and agree on removal of restrictions where Indians are capable of handling their own affairs. The committee believes that the appropriations in this bill will enable the department to complete the work of allotment in the Indian country.

INDIAN HALL OF FAME.

Pictures of Noted Red Men Hang on Convention Walls.

Guthrie, Ok., Dec. 14.—Four portraits of Indian celebrities now adorn the walls of Convention Hall. The Choctaw Nation furnishes J. F. McCurtin, who was the first Governor of liberal ideas, and under whose administration the Choctaw Nation's progress began. He was the leader of the Tuskahoma party, which afterward became the McCurtin party. This party was composed of the intermarried whites and the educated Indian, who advocated an invitation to commercial development. Mr. McCurtin also secured for the negro the right to vote.

The Creek Nation is represented by Ispahiche, a full-blood and very progressive, D. N. McIntosh and his son, William McIntosh, both Chiefs of the tribe. It was D. N. McIntosh who signed the treaty of 1829 in Georgia with the Government, and for which he was killed by the Snake clan. Under the terms of the Creek, or Muskogee, code the chiefship fell to the next male descendant, but William McIntosh, the eldest son, refused the honor and asked that it be left to a vote of the tribe. His election followed, and his management of the tribe is numbered as among the best.

DeWitt's Kidney and Bladder Pills quickly drive the poisons from the system and thus afford relief. A week's treatment for 25c. Sold by Crescent Drug Store.

OKLAHOMA EFFECTS RATE COMPROMISE WITH ROADS

Kansas City, Dec. 15.—Oklahoma has won in its struggle with the railroads for reduced rates on freight. The controversy was settled at a conference held here and participated in by Frank Frantz, governor of Oklahoma; W. O. Cromwell, attorney general, and freight traffic officials of the Rock Island, Santa Fe, St. Louis and San Francisco, Missouri, Kansas and Texas and the Ft. Smith and Western railroads.

The conference resulted in the railroads yielding to the demands of the officials of Oklahoma.

As a result of the agreement the Kansas scales will be applied on grain, grain products and merchandise, and the Arkansas rates on coal will be applied in Oklahoma. The Kansas scale will reduce the rate 1 per cent a hundred on grain, and give reduced rates on merchandise and other commodities. The application of the Arkansas

rates on coal will materially reduce the existing rates.

One of the results of the conference is an agreement on the part of Oklahoma officials to dismiss suits now pending enjoining the railroads from collecting the rates that have been in controversy.

A False Rumor

There is a false rumor and talk going the rounds growing out of the unfair and public investigation, made by our higher city officials, of the street racket Monday night and my official duty. Whether they did this thoughtless of the injury it might do me, or through prejudice because of the fact that I don't belong to the funnel gang, is left for them to say and the people to judge. W. C. Bailey.

Joseph Anderson of Roff was a business visitor in Ada today.

Weep for the man with the cruel wife,
Who hustles him off to rest.
While in bed he dreams of a six-suit life
And waits till his pants are pressed.

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TRYING TO DETERMINE VALUE OF COAL LANDS

Washington, Dec. 15.—Secretary Hitchcock yesterday added his views to those which had been gathered in Indian Territory by the special Senate committee authorized to investigate the property rights and citizenship of the civilized tribes.

An endeavor was made to arrive at the value of the coal lands of these tribes and it has been variously estimated at from \$15,000,000 to between four and five billions of dollars. It is stated that an application for the purchase of these lands was expected from the state of Oklahoma. The Secretary was unable to place a value on the lands. The geological survey had estimated the deposits to contain nearly three billion tons of coal, while the Government mining inspector for the Territory placed the amount at a billion and a quarter tons. The Secretary regarded the latter estimate as more nearly correct. He added that a fair price for the mineral might be arrived at upon the basis of the royalty of 8c a ton for the amount the Indians now receive under the coal land leases.

The Secretary expressed himself against any present sale of the lands, saying he believed it would be impossible to get anything like a fair price for them.

Senator Beveridge remarked that he had heard four billion dollars was to be offered for the lands.

"I would accept that offer in a wink," replied Mr. Hitchcock.

The Secretary advocated the sale of the surface lands over the coal deposits

saying the way to accomplish this was by the sealed bid system.

He approved generally a plan proposed by the Commissioner of Indian Affairs that the Indians incorporate and lease their coal lands.

Mr. and Mrs. Hope Entertain.

Members of the 42 club and a few other invited guests were entertained Friday night at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Tom Hope in Sunrise. The appointments throughout were exquisite, such as to set a standard.

True to the mission of the club, the chief pastime was progressive "42." The score cards were notably tasteful, hand painted—pansies for ladies, poppies for gentlemen.

A feature of the evening—not on the prearranged program by any means—was quite a spirited joint discussion by John Conn and Tom Hope on the merits and demerits of Senator Joseph Weldon Bailey. The hearers decided it was about a tie.

At the Christian Church.

Sunday School, preaching and communion at the usual hour in the morning. C. E. at 6:30 p. m. Preaching at 7:30. Morning theme "Profit and Loss." Evening, "The Good Confession." Last Lord's day the S. S. report showed thirty new pupils.

The Wednesday evening prayer meeting will be led by Sister Shands—Subject, "The danger of apostasy." Heb. 6-4-6. All are invited to attend these services. E. L. Kirtley—Minister.

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STUDY SCIENCE OF WAR.

MANY ALIENS AT AMERICAN MILITARY SCHOOLS.

Is Uncle Sam Training Soldiers for Nations With Which He May Some Day Be at War?

While it is true that foreigners are admitted to West Point military academy as students only on application through official sources and by authority of congress, it is true that a number of foreign countries have been invited by our government to designate officers of infantry, cavalry and artillery to take the courses of instruction at the service schools at Fort Leavenworth and Fort Riley, and these invitations have been accepted by Mexico and by several Central and South American states.

In each instance of foreign cadets undergoing instruction at West Point and foreign officers receiving instruction at the infantry and cavalry school, Fort Leavenworth, and at the cavalry and field artillery school, Fort Riley, this government pays none of the expenses. Otherwise the cadets and officers are on the same footing as our own.

At the United States military academy at West Point there are four foreign cadets, A. R. Calvo, Costa Rica; Frutos Thomas Plaza, Ecuador; Ting Chia Chen and Ying Hsing Wen, China. Cadet Calvo is a member of the present second (junior) class, while the other young gentlemen are in the fourth (freshman) class, and it is interesting to know that the Chinese are the first cadets ever received at West Point from that country. Lieut. Brugere, of the French army, son of the late generalissimo, is at present at Fort Leavenworth, but the government of Mexico has been granted permission to send two infantry officers to the infantry and cavalry school and four officers of the cavalry and artillery to the school of application for cavalry and field artillery at Fort Riley. The two infantry officers are Lieut. Jorga Landia, Fifteenth battalion, and Lieut. Louis Manter, Twentieth battalion. The others are Lieut. Felipe Neri, of the Eighth cavalry; Sub-Lieut. Alfonso Rainos, Fourteenth cavalry, and Lieut. Rodol. Asillas and Arturo Certucha, of the artillery.

It is a singular fact that the United States naval academy at Annapolis has graduated more Japanese than any other foreign cadets. Until the death, already mentioned, of Kinjiro Matsukata, there were two Japanese cadets there; the survivor is Cadet Asahi Kitagaki.

The law providing for the admission of Japanese cadets was passed in 1868, and it has been in effect repealed by the clause of the naval bill which provides that foreign cadets can be appointed only by act of congress hereafter.

At the Culver summer naval school, on Lake Maxinkunkee, in Indiana, there are five foreign cadets, sent there and being educated at the expense of their respective governments. They are Jesus Castro Ansedondo, Evanisto Madero and Paul Madero, of Mexico; Engel C. Hidalgo, of Ecuador, and Tinsan Tsang, of China, and the latter during the winter takes a special course at the Massachusetts Institute of Technology, in Boston.

International comity is the principal reason for the opening of our doors to the cadets and officers of other countries. The system is not peculiar



Ting Chia Chen, Chinese Cadet at West Point.

to the United States, for all nations grant the same courtesy. At the great French school at St. Cyr and Sarnur many foreign officers take courses. At Sandhurst, the British military college, there are always foreign students, especially Chinese and Japanese. The biographies of the men who led the Japanese armies to victory over the Russians show that most of them received a part of their training in foreign schools.

The sending of foreign officers to our schools is merely a matter of international courtesy, and we are merely returning, in the case of France, a compliment that has at various times been paid to us by that country. In the case of the South American countries we are simply extending to them what other countries extend to them.

Rulers of nations and their ministers feel that this intercourse with foreigners is good for their own officers and cadets and that such courtesies tend in the long run toward amity and, consequently, toward peace.

COURAGE OF RUSSELL SAGE.

Close Friend Sheds New Light on Character of Financier.

Twenty years ago few persons could get into the presence of Russell Sage without passing inspection by John E. McCann, who for a long time was Mr. Sage's confidential clerk, says the Wall Street Journal. Mr. McCann served efficiently in that position, but he had a soul for poetry, and after ten years he left finance for literature.

Now that Mr. Sage has died, Mr. McCann contributes to the Journalist a remarkable tribute to his character. He speaks of him as a genius. He says he was a deeply religious man, who had often during a lull in the storm of business "muttered a little prayer," and who in the panic of May, 1884, "when the universe seemed crashing about his ears, looked and acted like one in deep communion with the infinite." He declares that Mr. Sage was a "true man and a gentleman." While it was impossible for him to cringe, he did not know how to offend deliberately. The proof of his moral courage was to be found in the fact that for nearly 34,000 days he insisted on living his own life in his own way, regardless of criticism, whereas a weaker man would have been made a reckless spendthrift by the ridicule to which Mr. Sage was subjected because of the carefulness of his personal expenditures.

THAT'S WHAT HE MEANT.

Hubby Knew What He Was Waiting for, All Right.

The words "chiffonier" and "chauffeur" look very much alike when written, though in conversation there is sufficient difference in the pronunciation to distinguish very readily. Recently the following dialogue occurred in which the words were used, though one of the parties thought for a while that his friend didn't know any better:

"What are you waiting for, old man?"

"Waitin' for my chiffonier. We are going driving in my auto."

"O, no; you mean you are waiting for your chauffeur—the man that drives your car."

"Nope; I'm waiting for my chiffonier," stubbornly replied the man.

"I beg your pardon," replied the other. "A chiffonier is a swell dresser, and a chauffeur is one who drives your car."

"That's all right," replied the one who knew, as a pretty woman, handsomely dressed, came down the stairway and got in the machine. "I'm waiting for a 'chiffonier' all right."

Discovery of Coal.

Coal was first accidentally discovered on the summit of Sharp mountain (now the site of the town of Summit Hill), nine miles west of Mauch Chunk, Carbon county, in 1791, by a hunter named Philip Ginter. Ginter had taken up his residence in that section of the country, supporting himself by the proceeds of his rifle, which he exchanged for the necessities of life at the nearest station. The story runs that on his return home in a drizzling rain after an unsuccessful day he stumbled over something which was thrown forward, and observing that the object was black and hearing of the many tales in regard to coal in that section, he picked it up and carried it home, where he decided that it must be the stove coal spoken of in tradition. The next day he took the specimen to a Col. Jacob Weiss, who resided at a place called Allen, now Weissport, and he in turn took it to Philadelphia, where the mineralogists' decision proved it to be anthracite coal.

Effect of College Education.

It would be interesting to trace in detail, and after careful study of facts, to just how great a degree the "varsity" man influences us in respect of dress, says Men's Wear. For instance, the knee drawer, which retailers could not get enough of during summer, is nothing more or less than the running "pant" of track athletes, as the jersey that is coming to be worn with them is the jersey of the "gym." The turning up of the trousers to show fancy hose is an outcome of turned up tennis trousers, not for "varsity" sake but for expediency and comfort.

So, the list of what we owe to college men in matters of dress might be lengthened. The collegian is certainly a force to be reckoned with by makers and sellers of men's wear.

Ways of Bees.

There are about 5,000 species of the wild bees, all with interesting ways of their own. Among them is a species whose females are veritable Amazons and carry more and better weapons than the males. These are the "cuckoo" bees, which deposit their eggs in the nest of others, the progeny of both living peacefully together until maturity, when they separate. Then there is the tailoring bee, which cuts leaves with his scissor-like jaws and fits a snug lining of the leaf material into his cave-shaped nest.

Broad Classification.

"What kind of an automobile do you prefer?"

"I know of only two kinds," answered Mr. Cumrox; "those that are running and those that are out of repair."

Distinction and Difference.

"I ain't got no use for avarice," said Uncle Eben, "but it sho' is safer for a man to hold on to money foolish than it is to spend it foolish."

FADS OF FASHION.

TOUCHES THAT GIVE SMARTNESS TO COSTUME.

Waist to Match Coat and Skirt Now Generally in Favor—Short Sleeves Fall Off in Popularity.

A white waist is generally considered correct with a cloth suit just as long as the weather permits of so thin a bodice, but at the same time a silk or cloth waist of the color of the skirt is bound to look somewhat smarter, and, besides, far more economical in the long run. In purchasing the material for a cloth suit, it is an easy matter to get an extra two or three yards for the waist, even if it is not to be made up by the tailor, while if the suit is ordered directly from the tailor he can always match his material and procure an extra allowance for the bodice.

The one-piece dress is still popular, but in cloth a princess gown is too hot to be worn, day in, day out, so that unless there can be more than one walking suit provided, a separate waist and skirt is the better investment.

Then, too, a walking suit is always short and a princess gown is generally more graceful with a long train, save, of course, made up in some fine material as lace or muslin.

Simple models are best in cloth, for there must be as few folds and plaits of the material as possible. The surplus effect, if made to fit perfectly, is good, as the cloth simply crosses over front and back, leaving a little V-shaped opening for the lace yoke. The cloth may be bordered with narrow bands of passementerie or embroidery. For an essentially simple style of dress, a long-sleeved waist is infinitely more appropriate and far more comfortable than the elbow sleeve. Long kid gloves are singularly out of keeping with a rough cheviot walking suit, and then, also, long gloves worn daily are a considerable item upon the expense list.

For house gowns and all elaborate gowns short sleeves, being fashionable now, look very smart, and will be worn through the winter at any rate, but already they are not nearly so popular for the morning as was the case a few months ago.

A fine quality of broadcloth can be made up over thin silk, or even cotton lining will not be uncomfortably heavy even for the house, but there are few of the rough cloths that make satisfactory waists.

If a heavy cloth is chosen—and many of the rough mixed goods are excellent for this time of year—a waist of silk or chiffon cloth trimmed with straps of the material is always attractive and most useful. A chiffon body is pretty, but too light and perishable for wear with anything but the finest cloth. There are, as usual, numberless silks displayed this season which are advertised as quite new. Generally these silks are well-known qualities that have been rechristened and made fashionable once more. As a rule the satin-finished, soft silk wears better than the stiff, dull-finished taffeta.

At this time of year red is always a favorite shade and is now fashionable in all possible tones, from bright red to a deep wine color. This last is to be one of the most fashionable shades for the coming winter.

CARE OF BABY'S EYES.

Important Precautions Advised by Medical Authority.

Don't let your infants look at brightly colored objects. Never allow them to lie and stare into the sunlight, at the gas, electric light or into the flame of a lamp, for it may strain the nerve of sight and make the eyes weak for the remainder of their lives, declares a physician at a babies' hospital.

"Unfortunately most young children are abnormally attracted by any bright object such as a red feather on a hat, a vivid green or yellow chair, or by artificial light or sunlight," he says, "and they will exert all their strength to turn their bodies so that the bright thing is within the range of vision."

"Knowing this, mothers should make every effort to protect the eyes of babes and make sure that the rooms where they sleep or stay when awake have no objects that will attract and hold the interest of the little one and perhaps injure the optic nerves."

"Always have the sunlight tempered. Put a shade over any kind of artificial light so that it will not shine directly into a young child's eyes. Take all gay pictures and hangings from the apartments where babies are to stay, and in their places put up soft green things that are restful and will have no exciting effect on the delicate nerves of sight."

"When taking an infant out of doors always protect its eyes from the glare of the sun by a parasol or a broad brim on a hat, but do not put a veil over its face with the mistaken idea that this will keep out the dust and incidentally the brightness of the sun or the dazzling whiteness of the snow."

Modish Silks.

All authorities seem agreed that silks of all kinds will be worn enormously this winter as a sort of reaction from the lingerie craze which has beset us so strongly for several seasons past. Very soft satin crepes and Pekinese silks and kindred fabrics will be largely used for tea gowns; brocades and embossed velvets will figure largely in the schemes of well-dressed women for evening wear. The brocade satins alternately embroidered with nosegays of gold and silver have also arrived.

The Ideal Family Laxative.

Is one that can be used by the entire family, young and old, weak and strong, without any danger of harmful effects. It should have properties which insure the same dose always having the same effect, otherwise the quantity will have to be increased and finally lose its effect altogether. These properties can be found in that old family remedy, Brandreth's Pills, because its ingredients are of the purest herbal extracts, and every pill is kept for three years before being sold, which allows them to mellow. We do not believe there is a laxative on the market that is so carefully made.

Brandreth's Pills are the same fine laxative tonic pills your grandparents used. They have been in use for over a century and are for sale everywhere, either plain or sugar-coated.

The Zulu War Cry.

The Zulu war cry, used whenever they take the field by the South African footballers now in London, has puzzled our newspapers, not one of which seems able to spell it correctly, says Notes and Queries. The Daily Express gives it as "Igamilzho," and the Daily Mail as "Gammillo." The cry really consists of two words, and should be written "Igama layo."

"Igama" is Zulu for "name," and "layo" is a possessive pronoun, meaning either "his" or "their." Thus the Daily Mail, although quite wrong in its orthography of the cry, is right in saying that it merely means "That is his name." The explanation is that Zulu etiquette does not allow warriors, when they rush into battle, to mention the names of their enemies, but the leaders shout out, "That is his name," pointing to the victims with their spears.

Saved Him.

"It did not kill me, but I think it would if it had not been for Hunt's Cure. I was tired, miserable and well nigh used up when I commenced using it for an old and severe case of Eczema. One application relieved and one box cured me."

"I believe Hunt's Cure will cure any form of itching known to mankind."

Clifton Lawrence, Helena, O. T.

Kaiser Won Bride for Officer.

A curious instance of the active part the kaiser takes in arranging the marriages of relatives and friends is recorded. A personal aide-camp of his majesty was very much depressed by the lady of his choice giving him a refusal. The same afternoon the kaiser drove to the house of the young lady, the daughter of a wealthy Berlin banker, and pleaded the cause of his aide-camp with such eloquence that the marriage took place a month later.—Reynolds' Newspaper.

Mrs. Sage's Gift to Church.

Mrs. Russell Sage made her first gift for benevolent purposes of any size when a few days ago she contributed \$1,000 from the \$70,000,000 bequeathed to her by her husband to the Lawrence Methodist church. This congregation had been struggling to raise \$12,000 to build a new edifice on the plot adjoining the present church property. Mrs. Sage's donation brings the fund up to more than \$7,000.

Laundry work at home would be much more satisfactory if the right Starch were used. In order to get the desired stiffness, it is usually necessary to use so much starch that the beauty and fineness of the fabric is hidden behind a paste of varying thickness, which not only destroys the appearance, but also affects the wearing quality of the goods. This trouble can be entirely overcome by using Defiance Starch, as it can be applied much more thinly because of its greater strength than other makes.

Seek to Abolish Opium Evil. Three separate societies in England are agitating for the abolition of the opium trade in India.

THEY CURE RHEUMATISM

A Particularly Painful Form of This Disease Yields to Dr. Williams' Pink Pills.

Of the many forms which rheumatism takes, that which is popularly known as sciatic rheumatism probably tortures its victim more than any other. That Dr. Williams' Pink Pills have cured this stubborn as well as painful trouble is a fact proven by the following statement, and no sufferer who reads this can afford to let prejudice stand in the way of trying these blood-making pills.

Rheumatism is now generally recognized as a disease of the blood. Dr. Williams' Pink Pills make—actually make—pure blood. When the blood is pure there can be no rheumatism. Mrs. Thomas Bresnahan, of 54 Mill street, Watertown, N. Y., says:

"My trouble began with a severe cold which I took about a week before Christmas in 1904. I began to have rheumatic pains in my back and limbs and after a time I couldn't straighten up. I suffered the most awful pain for months and much of the time was unable to leave the house and I had to take hold of a chair in order to walk and sometimes I could not stand up at all."

"The disease was pronounced sciatic rheumatism and, although I had a good physician and took his medicine faithfully, I did not get any better. After some six weeks of this terrible pain and suffering I tried Dr. Williams' Pink Pills and that is the medicine that cured me. After a few boxes the pain was less intense and I could see decided improvement. I continued to take the pills until I was entirely cured and I have never had any return of the trouble."

All druggists sell Dr. Williams' Pink Pills, or the remedy will be mailed postpaid, on receipt of price, 50 cents per box, six boxes for \$2.50, by the Dr. Williams Medicine Co., Schenectady, N. Y.

Carpet rags dyed with PUTNAM FADELESS DYES will remain bright and beautiful. No trouble to use.

Egotism is one of the things that never object to working overtime.

Mrs. Winslow's Soothing Syrup. For children teething, softens the gums, reduces inflammation, allays pain, cures wind colic. 25c a bottle.

English Lace for America.

The United States imported \$4,284,583 worth of lace in 1905 from Nottingham, England.

Give Defiance Starch a fair trial—try it for both hot and cold starching, and if you don't think you do better work, in less time and at smaller cost, return it and your grocer will give you back your money.

Bird's Unbroken Flight.

In one unbroken nocturnal flight the European bird known as the northern blue throat has been proved to travel from central Africa to the German ocean, a distance of 1,690 miles, making the journey in nine hours.

Important to Mothers.

Examine carefully every bottle of CASTORIA, a safe and sure remedy for infants and children, and see that it

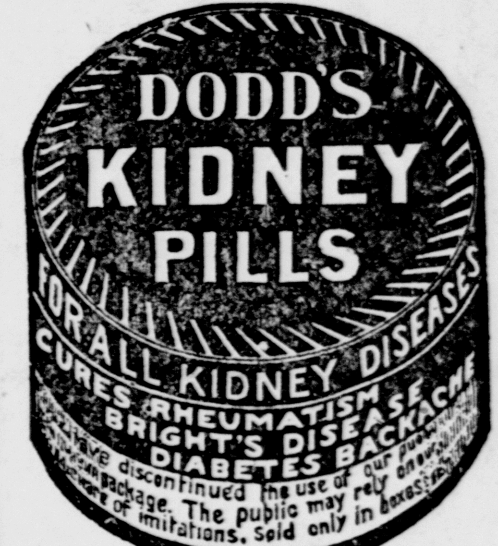
Bears the Signature of *Chas. H. Fletcher*. In Use For Over 30 Years. The Kind You Have Always Bought.

Woman Novelist Widely Read.

Miss Braddon, the popular novelist, who celebrated her seventieth birthday by issuing her sixty-second book, received \$12,500 for her best known effort, "Lady Audley's Secret." Since then royalties have been paid to her on over a million copies. Miss Braddon reads French, German, Spanish and Italian with equal facility.

Keeping Parents in Subjection.

In the life of the very rich some parents still seek to resemble those curfew incarnate in humble life who keep the girls at home and the boys out of the barrooms. Middle life and old age are too hidebound to get accustomed to the manners of the new generation of young men who are old and worn before they graduate and of young women who win or lose large sums at gambling. Children have a right to expect from their parents docile obedience. At first this may be difficult, but, as Aristotle says, "Virtue is a habit," and it can be acquired. —N. Y. Evening Post.



SICK HEADACHE

Positively cured by these Little Pills. They also relieve Distress from Dyspepsia, Indigestion and Too Hearty Eating. A perfect remedy for Dizziness, Nausea, Drowsiness, Bad Taste in the Mouth, Coated Tongue, Pain in the Side, TORPID LIVER. They regulate the Bowels. Purely Vegetable. SMALL PILL. SMALL DOSE. SMALL PRICE.

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THE CANADIAN WEST IS THE BEST WEST

The testimony of thousands during the past year is that the Canadian West is the best West. Year by year the agricultural returns have increased in volume and value, and still the Canadian Government offers 160 acres FREE to every bona fide settler.

Some of the Advantages

The phenomenal increase in railway mileage—main lines and branches—has put almost every portion of the country within easy reach of churches, schools, markets, cheap fuel and every modern convenience. The NINETEEN MILLION BUSHEL WHEAT CROP of this year means \$90,000,000 to the farmers of Western Canada, apart from the results of other grains and cattle. For advice and information address the SUPER-INTENDENT OF IMMIGRATION, Ottawa, Canada, or any authorized Government Agent. J. S. CRAWFORD, No. 125 W. Ninth Street, Kansas City, Missouri.

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is a positive necessity to every cattleman, will quickly heal wounds and sores on all animals, won first premium at Texas State Fair and for 40 years has been the standard remedy for SCREW WORMS AND FOOT ROT. Put up in 4 oz. bottles and 4 oz. 1 lb., 2 lb., 5 lb. screw-top cans. Insist on Buchan's Cresylic Ointment. Sold by druggists and grocers. THE CANADIAN SOAP CO., NEW YORK CITY.

READERS of this paper desiring to buy anything advertised in its columns should insist upon having what they ask for, refusing all substitutes or imitations.

PILES. It is a mystery why people suffer with that agonizing ailment, THE PILES, when Castro, the new treatment in capsule form, can be had at 50 cents a box for two weeks' treatment. Get relief. H. DE RUITER, 3645 Russell Ave., Cincinnati, O.

VETERANS OF SPANISH WAR

THEIR ORGANIZATION SHOWS RAPID GROWTH.

Suggested That This Young Society Will Become the Logical Successor of the G. A. R.

The rapid increase in the membership of the organization known as the United Spanish War Veterans was strikingly evident at the third annual encampment just held at Washington, D. C. President Roosevelt is one of the members of the association, and he is on the roll as "Comrade" Roosevelt, of the rough riders, and many of his old companions in arms at the fight at San Juan hill pitched their tents near the White House. Among those who have united with the society during the past year have been Maj. Gen. Frederick D. Grant, commander of the department of the east; Rear Admiral Joseph B. Coghlan and Lieut. Gen. Nelson A. Miles, retired.

What the organization stands for is exemplified in its uniform, which is half blue and half gray. Among its membership are old campaigners for the union cause, as well as soldiers of the confederacy, although there are comparatively few veterans of the war of the rebellion to be found in its more than 200 camps.

Few organizations have made such rapid advances as that which have been attained in the last year by the United Spanish American War Veterans. In that brief period the order has nearly doubled its membership. It now enrolls 40,000 men in the United States. The department of New York, which is the strongest of the state organizations, has 4,000 members. With between 300,000 and 400,000 men from which to draw, the veterans will be able to attain a large membership within the next few years, according to the confident predictions of the officers.

First in the field was the National

Army and Navy Spanish War Veterans, which was chartered in Ohio; second came the Spanish-American War Veterans, who first gathered in the state of New York, and last the Service Men of the Spanish War, who first convened in Illinois.

In 1904 the three organizations met in one convention in St. Louis, and were amalgamated into the United Spanish War Veterans.

Buttons indicating membership in the United Spanish War Veterans are now frequently seen in the coat lapels of men one meets in the streets. The official badge, which is also worn in button style, consists of a St. Andrew's cross of bronze. The top arm bears the word "Cuba," the right arm has "Porto Rico," and the left arm "Philippine Islands," while at the bottom are the letters "U. S. A." In the center medallion is a soldier at the position of "charge bayonets," and a sailor with a cutlass in position on guard. Between them is the kneeling figure of a woman, and in the background is a battle-ship.

Around the group are two circles, which have between them the words "Spanish War Veterans, 1898-99." The badge is suspended by a ribbon one inch wide, in form of a miniature United States flag. Its anchorage is a bar of bronze, which has on it a rifle and a saber crossed beneath the center of a shield emblazoned with the stars and stripes. Around the bottom and sides of this device are laurel wreaths. On the left end of the bar are the letters "Uni" and on the right "ted," forming the word "United." The ribbon is surmounted by a brass pin consisting of an anchor crossed by a cannon. About them is twined a wreath of laurel leaves, and perched upon the cannon is an American eagle with wings extended. The buttons are worn in the lapels of the coats of members when in civilian dress, and the badge when in uniform.

Hoped So.

Rivers—There's Weerius again. Has he told you his last hard-luck story yet?

Brooks—He has, unless he manages to sneak up on me some day when I'm not expecting him.—Chicago Tribune.

Asked?

Garson—Don't hope, old fellow. Look on the bright side of things.

Miles—Which is the bright side of a bad headache?—Cassell's Journal.

Mamma Rextoburn—Ethel will be five years old in a week.

Papa Rextoburn—True.

"Of course, she will have to have her own footman now, as well as her three maids."

"Of course."

"And I've been wondering—"

"Well?"

"If she oughtn't to have her own social secretary likewise, what with all the affairs she will be invited to."

—Life.

CUPID'S CAPTIVE

By LESLIE MOORE

My cousin Nell has a decidedly strong will. You would not think it from a casual observation, for she is fair and fluffy, and wears lots of laces and flummies.

Now, though Nell has a strong will, my own is still stronger, and, in spite of the fact that she has refused my suit three times, I fully intend her to marry me in the end.

I thought the matter carefully over all one night, and the next day I went on an excursion by myself up the Hudson to the site of an attractive old ruin that originally represented an Old World castle.

I didn't stay very long, but I made a few important observations, and I suggested that I should take Nell for a boating excursion.

She raised all the usual objections, which my strong will quickly removed, and finally she consented. She seated herself in the stern and opened her parasol.

I was glad when I saw the ruin in sight, and we landed near a cluster of trees.

After we had had our lunch we both felt happier, and our spirits rose. "I like this," said Nell. "You were a darling to bring me, Jack."

The moment seemed propitious. "Nell," I said, "will you marry me?" Nell grabbed a handful of daisies and flung them at me.

"No, you silly fellow!" she said. "Very well," I replied contentedly, "we will see."

"Well," replied Nell, deliberately, "if ever I do consent I'll keep my promise."

"I shall not forget that," I answered as I rose. "Let's go and have a look at those castlelike ruins."

Nell, after some demur, gathered up her skirts and began to ascend the winding stair. I followed. At the top was a room with a small but heavy door, the bolts of which were on the outside. The windows were mere slits, through which a hand could scarcely pass.

Nell went up to one of them to look out.

I slipped back across the room and darted out through the door. The next moment it was shut, and the bolt in place. I heard Nell run across the room.

"Jack," she called out, "don't be so silly! Open the door!" "Nell," I said quietly, "will you marry me?"

"No I won't," she cried, and from her tone I knew that she was angry. "Very well," I answered, "then the door stays shut."

"Jack, what are you doing?" "Sitting on the stairs," I replied. "How long are you going to stay there?"

"Till you agree to marry me," I answered.

"Then I guess you'll stay there till you're a fixture," she retorted; and I heard her move away from the door. I calmly lighted a cigarette, and then waited. After awhile she came to the door again.

"Jack, do open the door."

"Will you promise to marry me?" I asked.

"Is it likely?" she answered. "What should I do with a husband with a temper like yours?"

"I should have an equally obstinate wife," I replied coolly; "that would balance matters."

"Jack, I hate you!" she cried.

"Nell, I love you!" I answered. There was another pause.

"Jack, if you will open the door I'll give you an answer."

"You've given me that one four times," I replied.

"Perhaps it will be a different one this time."

"There must be no perhaps in the matter," I returned.

"When I get out of here I'll never speak to you again!" she cried.

An hour passed away, and then I heard Nell near the door once more.

"Jack, it must be getting late, and mamma doesn't know where I am."

"You are in safe-keeping," I answered.

I heard her stamp her foot.

"Jack, if I don't go home soon, what will people say?"

"The usual gossip," I replied calmly.

"I'll never forgive you!" she said, passionately.

"Will you marry me?" I asked again.

"No! no! no!" she cried, and once more I heard her retreat from the door.

Another hour passed, and, although the stairs were hard, I stuck manfully to my post.

"Jack," I heard Nell's voice once more, "doesn't it strike you that you are a mean coward?"

"On the contrary," I replied, "it strikes me that I am a man of heroic determination."

"But I am not a woman of heroic determination," she answered, and her voice broke with a little sob.

I sprang up and opened the door. "Nell!" I cried, as I caught her in my arms, "I was a brute—an utter brute; but, darling, I do want you so very much."

"It was the very silliest way to try and get me," she answered, with her head on my shoulder; "for if I didn't love you, Jack, I really would never speak to you again."

Why Nell refused me four times is a problem which I have not yet solved.—N. Y. Weekly.

WOMEN'S VOICES



Thousands of women suffer daily backache, headache, dizzy spells, languor, nervousness and a dozen other symptoms of kidney trouble, but lay it to other causes. Make no mistake. Keep the kidneys well, and these aches and troubles will disappear.

Mrs. Anthony Cadrette, 77 Mechanic street, Leominster, Mass., says: "My sight failed, I had sharp pain in my back and bearing-down pains through the hips. I was nervous, fretful and miserable. The urine was greatly disordered and I began to have the swellings of dropsy. I was running down fast, when I started using Doan's Kidney Pills. A wonderful change came and after using them faithfully for a short time I was well."

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Waiter's Modest Request.

Melba admires the independence of her fellow Australians, but on one occasion she had rather a pronounced experience with what she calls their "delightful impudence." She had waited a long time for dinner at her hotel in a large mining town and finally made a sharp complaint to the waiter. "Well, ma'am," said he, coolly, "you might sing us a song to pass the time." This to a vocalist who one evening received \$5,000 from William Waldorf Astor for singing four songs in his London mansion.

It's a Jarer.

If you smash or bruise your finger, do not cry.

If you sprain a joint or muscle, just try

Rubbing a little of it on, and the pain will soon be gone. It performs while others promise, they will cure you by and by.

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Plenty More!

Russell Sage was much opposed to drinking. He would often rail with homely and humorous wisdom against drink.

"Men drink," he said one day to a broker, "because they are happy, because they are sad, because they are too warm, because they are too cold. Is there any logic in that?"

"When I see men drinking I think of a little boy at the seashore."

"This little boy, at play with his bucket and shovel in the sand, suddenly ran to the edge of an advancing wave, and, scooping up a handful of salt water and foam, drank it greedily."

"Oh, don't drink that," said his nurse. "It will make you thirsty."

"What if it does?" said he. "There's plenty more!"

Uncanny Chinese Legend.

There are the two celebrated towers of the Imperial city, the Bell tower and the Drum tower. As to the casting of the bell in the former there is this legend: There had been two unsuccessful attempts and the life of the founder was threatened in case of a third failure. His daughter discovered by occult means that nothing but the blood of a virgin mingled with the molten metal would insure success. So at the next casting she sacrificed her life by throwing herself into the molten metal, leaving only one shoe behind. The casting was perfect. But when the bell was first struck "all were horror-stricken as, after the heavy boom of the bell, came a low wail, as of a girl in agony, distinctly saying the word 'hush,' shoe. And to this day people who hear it say, 'There's poor Ko-ai's voice calling out for her shoe.'"

Shanghai Times.

HARD TO SEE.

Even When the Facts About Coffee Are Plain.

It is curious how people will refuse to believe what one can clearly see. Tell the average man or woman that the slow but cumulative poisonous effect of caffeine—the alkaloid in tea and coffee—tends to weaken the heart, upset the nervous system and cause indigestion, and they may laugh at you if they don't know the facts.

Prove it by science or by practical demonstration in the recovery of coffee drinkers from the above conditions, and a large per cent. of the human family will shrug their shoulders, take the drugs and—keep on drinking coffee or tea.

"Coffee never agreed with me nor with several members of our household," writes a lady. It enervates, depresses and creates a feeling of languor and heaviness. It was only by leaving off coffee and using Postum that we discovered the cause and cure of these ills.

"The only reason, I am sure, why Postum is not used altogether to the exclusion of ordinary coffee is, many persons do not know and do not seem willing to learn the facts and how to prepare this nutritious beverage. There's only one way—according to directions—boil it fully 15 minutes. Then it is delicious." Name given by Postum Co., Battle Creek, Mich. Read the little book, "The Road to Wellville, in pkgs. 'There's a reason.'"

THE TICKING OF THE CLOCK.

Soothing Company to Some Sleepers Cause of Wakefulness in Others.

"Not all people," said the jeweler, "like the ticking of a clock; it is a pleasant sound to most people, but not to all."

"Some people, clock lovers these, couldn't sleep without a clock in the same room. Its ticking is company and it scares away the spooks. Such people would wake up if the clock should stop in the middle of the night."

"But there are other people who can't sleep with a clock in the same room and who, if they found themselves in a strange place anywhere with a clock in their sleeping apartment, would stop the clock before they went to bed."

"Of course there is much of habit in this; but we have our fancies about clocks, as we do about all things else."

SKIN ERUPTIONS 35 YEARS.

Suffered Severely with Eczema All Over Body—A Thousand Thanks to Cuticura Remedies.

"For over thirty-five years I was a severe sufferer from eczema. The eruption was not confined to any one place. It was all over my body, limbs, and even on my head. I am sixty years old and an old soldier, and have been examined by the Government Board over fifteen times, and they said there was no cure for me. I have taken all kinds of medicine and have spent large sums of money for doctors, without avail. A short time ago I decided to try the Cuticura Remedies, and after using two cakes of Cuticura Soap, two boxes of Cuticura Ointment, and two bottles of Cuticura Resolvent, two treatments in all, I am now well and completely cured. A thousand thanks to Cuticura. I cannot speak too highly of the Cuticura Remedies. Joan T. Roach, Richmond, Ross Co., Ohio, July 17, 1905."

Romance in Writers' Lives.

A strange comedy and tragedy was woven into the lives of Ibsen and Bjornson. As young men they were great friends; then politics flung them apart; they quarreled and never met for years and years. Strange fate brought the children of these two great writers together and Bjornson's daughter married Ibsen's only child. The fathers met after a quarter of a century of separation at the wedding of their children.

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by local applications, as they cannot reach the diseased portion of the ear. There is only one way to cure deafness, and that is by constitutional remedies. Deafness is caused by an inflamed condition of the mucous lining of the Eustachian Tube. When this tube is inflamed you have a rumbling sound or imperfect hearing, and when it is entirely closed, deafness is the result, and unless the inflammation can be taken out and this tube restored to its normal condition, hearing will be lost forever; nine cases out of ten are caused by Catarrh, which is nothing but an inflamed condition of the mucous surfaces. We will give one Hundred Dollars for any case of Deafness caused by catarrh that cannot be cured by Hall's Catarrh Cure. Send for circulars, free. Sold by Druggists. J. C. HENNEY & CO., Toledo, O. Take Hall's Family Pills for constipation.

Immigrants for Ecuador.

The government of Ecuador has signed a contract with an agency in Guayaquil for the purpose of importing immigrants into the lower and eastern portion of the republic. The company binds itself to import 5,000 families. It is specified in the contract that the immigrants shall be white and preferably of the German or Dutch races.

Rest and Sleep.

Few escape those miseries of winter—a bad cold, a distressing cough. Many remedies are recommended, but the one quickest and best of all is Simmons Cough Syrup. Soothing and healing to the lungs and bronchial passages, it stops the cough at once and gives you welcome rest and peaceful sleep.

Japan Will Copy from America.

Prof. Takehiro Honjo is concluding in New York a tour of inspection of the great school systems of this country. He was sent here by his government of Formosa. When he goes home he is to establish a gigantic educational institution modeled after the American high school.

With a smooth iron and Defiance Starch, you can launder your shirt-waist just as well at home as the steam laundry can; it will have the proper stiffness and finish, there will be less wear and tear of the goods, and it will be a positive pleasure to use a Starch that does not stick to the iron.

Purchased "Old Red House."

T. W. Leete, a prominent business man of Springfield, Mass., has purchased the historic "Old Red House" at Longmeadow, Mass., which was built 171 years ago, and has presented it to the town as a museum. The house was built by Simon Colton, a soldier of the French and Indian wars.

This Is No Joke.

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ANNOUNCEMENTS

Subject to the action of the Democratic primary election.

For United States Senator
HENRY M. FURMAN

For State Treasurer
J. A. MENESEE

For Circuit Judge
EUGENE E. WHITE

For Sheriff
ROBERT NESTER
A. A. (GUS) BOBBITT
L. E. (LEM) MITCHELL
MART WALSH
JAMES D. GAAR
J. D. (ED) FUSSELL

For County Clerk
C. A. (CHARLIE) POWERS
W. S. (SAM) KERR
H. WOODARD

For County Treasurer
J. C. SCATES

For County Tax Assessor
C. C. HARGIS
W. H. NETTLES

For County Coroner
DR. JOHN W. DAVENPORT

MAKING PAUPER COUNTIES

The latest dispatch from Guthrie states that "The greatest problem in the Indian Territory is providing a county seat for Sulphur, which has been fully agreed upon, and it will be the smallest county in the new state, consisting of less than 300 square miles. This however with Sulphur's natural resources, will make a very rich country."

Natural resources! rich! Ye gods and little fishes! What do you call rich? Nestling amongst rocks and hills with hardly one hundred acres of land in cultivation within three miles, and three or four bankrupt stocks of goods in town at one time, they call it rich! Sulphur has plenty of water and natural "gas" of the gushing variety, and within the next forty years may become a watering resort, but when that's said, its all said.

Its the greatest overestimated town in the new state. If Sulphur must be a county seat, and there is no good reason why she should be, then give her an area of 900 square miles, and don't make the tax so burdensome. Give her some country that is capable of supporting a county government. The delegates of that convention were elected by the common people, whose servants they are, and it is expected of them that they discharge their duties in an unprejudiced manner that would result in the greatest good to the greatest number. Give us a square deal!—Rolf Eagle.

In pursuance of a deal effected some time ago whereby Colonel Clarence B. Douglass sold the Muskogee Phoenix to a syndicate of Muskogee Democrats for \$40,000, the paper has now formally changed hands, with J. Pentress Wisdom as business manager. As a democrat the Phoenix' prestige and prosperity should be even more marked than that enjoyed while floating a republican banner. Welcome, Phoenix, welcome to the Jeffersonian fold.

On December 20 there will be held in Guthrie a meeting to consider means of legally prohibiting the piping of the state's natural gas to outside cities. It's becoming a serious matter, and those who realize it and want to keep the gas for use in our own cities and towns expect to recommend some efficacious provision to the constitutional convention.

THE bonds bought, now to clear the reservoir site of timber. Since the city is disposed to attend to the construction itself, what's the matter with having an old fashioned log-rolling?

JUDGING from the avidity with which Ada's waterworks bonds were taken by the buyers, the old town is a long way from bankruptcy.

Geo. A. Truitt,
Engineer and Land Surveyor
Office Rear Ada National Bank.

Prompt and Careful Attention
Given to All Work
Entrusted.

LIGHT VOTE POLLED

School Election Most Sluggish Ever Today

It was far along in the day before all the ward boards had organized to hold the annual election Saturday, of two members of Ada's school board.

But probably it was just as well, for the people have not shown much disposition to vote any way.

The vote, the lightest in the history of Ada's elections, was at 3.30 p. m. as follows: 1st ward, 41; 2nd ward, 10; 3rd ward, 44; 4th ward 19.

The weather has been most disagreeable, and then no one seems to be very anxious for school board honors. Only three names were submitted to the printer for the ticket, viz. W. D. Lowden, J. E. Grigsby and Joel Terrell.

Marvin L. Brown.

A large number of citizens of this country will regret to know that Marvin L. Brown has retired from the newspaper business in Ada.

Mr. Brown is a good newspaper man and in any community except where cruel circumstances interfere or providential hindrance prevail will achieve success. Marvin's health has been wretched for several months and it was imperative that he temporarily retire from a business which in its nature requires such close confinement.

The press boys throughout the state, also the large number of people who were constant readers of Brown's publications will be pleased when he again enters the journalistic field.

A Lula Citizen.

Mr. J. R. Roach, a prominent citizen of Lula, was in Ada over Friday attending a meeting of the I. O. O. F. encampment. In conversation with the editor, Mr. Roach, referring to the county boundary proposition, stated very emphatically that the great majority of the people of Lula preferred to be included within the same county as Ada. Mr. Roach depreciated the idea that there seemed to exist in certain quarters a sentiment for small counties. He thought the convention should establish liberal county boundaries, taking into consideration always as much as possible the wishes of the people as to the county in which they should reside. It was his mature judgment, democratically considered, that it would meet the best wishes of the people to have the county seats permanently located some time in the future, suggesting 1910, when conditions would be settled by the popular vote of the people.

Mr. Roach is an intermarried citizen and a careful student of affairs in this country. He returned home today. His son is District Clerk of Lamar county Texas.

Our County.

Twenty townships assured and a prospect for twenty two. The following telegram has been handed the News with recommendation that same be printed.

Guthrie, Okla. Ter.
Hon. J. W. Bolen,
Ada, Ind. Ter.

Weaver secured raise from seventeen to twenty townships. Hopes further raise to about twenty two.

C. N. Haskell.

You can't afford to miss Bochers quit business sale. w2t 35

Another Frisco Train.

Beginning Sunday the Frisco will run a new passenger train. It goes north at 11:50 p. m. and south at 10:28 a. m.

Muzzle Loader Went Off.

A loud gun shot startled the big Saturday crowd this afternoon up about J. M. Walsh's and the rumor of a fatal shooting quickly spread. But it was only this: A fellow carrying an old muzzle loading shot gun stopped to remove the caps, for fear it might go off in town.

But the hammer slipped and it did go off. Although people and teams were all around, miraculously no one or any thing was hurt.

At Bochers quit business sale your money will go twice as far as elsewhere. Come early as the quit sale is a big go. w2t 35

Xmas Holiday Rates via the

To points in Colorado, Illinois, Iowa, Kansas, Michigan, Minnesota,

Missouri, Nebraska, North Dakota, South Dakota, Wisconsin Wyoming, Tennessee, Mississippi, Alabama, North Carolina, South Carolina, Georgia, Florida Louisiana, Kentucky at the rate of fare and one-third for the round trip. Tickets on sale December 20th, 21st, 22nd, final limit thirty days. Here is your chance to visit your friends during the Holidays.

For full information see the Frisco Agent, or address D. C. Farrington, Trav. Pass. Agent, Oklahoma City, or F. E. Clark, Div. Pass. Agent, Wichita, Kansas.

Dade's Little Liver Pills thoroughly clean the system, good for lazy livers, makes clear complexions, bright eyes and happy thoughts.—G. M. Ramsey, druggist. 1 m

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Hall's Catarrh Cure is taken internally, acting directly upon the blood and mucus surfaces of the system. Testimonials sent free. Price 75 cents per bottle. Sold by all the druggists. Take Hall's Family Pills for constipation.

Up on the River Friday Officer Brents arrested Dick Birdwell on an indictment charging him in substance with shooting up Beebe last October. Birdwell gave bond this morning. This arrest makes nine Brents has bagged this month.

Bob Cummings went to Roff.

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brand on food products is the emblem of purity. Every thing packed under the White Swan Brand has to be the very best the market supplies, packed while fresh, by improved processes, no coloring nor adulterations of any character used. White Swan is a guarantee of the best that money can buy, so if you are fond of good things to eat, always insist upon White Swan. If your grocer does not keep White Swan, send us his name.

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Echo of A. H. T. A. Convention.

A copy of the A. H. T. A. Weekly News of Dec. 13 has been kindly handed to the News. The issue is devoted to the proceedings of the annual convention of Indian Territory Division, Anti-Horse Thief Association held in Ada during October. The write-up reflects much gratitude for the hospitality of Ada during the convention's sessions.

Giving in Marriage

Marriage licenses have been issued as follows: Ira Bean, 21, and Lulu Crabtree, 18, of Sasakwa; Charley Smith, 20 and Maude Monley, 18, of Ada; George W. Mooney, 22, and Dovie Hayes, 16, of Ada; Jess Fowler, 20 and Bessie Freel, 18, of Ada; R. A. Russell, 31, of Erie, Penn., and Lillie Robinson, 25 of Springfield.

The latter couple, who came so far, were married Friday night by Deputy U. S. Clerk Constant in his office.

The taxes for 1906 are now due and all wishing to pay same will call at the Mayor's office.

Jesse Warren,
Assessor & Collector. 224 6t

Holiday goods and fancy china all goes at Bochers quit business sale. w2t 35

Long Tennessee Fight.

For twenty years W. L. Rawls, of Bells, Tenn., fought nasal catarrh. He writes: "The swelling and soreness inside my nose was fearful, till I began applying Bucklen's Arnica Salve to the sore surface; this caused the soreness and swelling to disappear, never to return." Best salve in existence. 25c at F. Z. Holley and G. M. Ramsey's drug store.

Bee's Laxative Cough Syrup containing Honey and Tar is especially appropriate for children, no opiates or poisons of any character, conforms to the conditions of the National Pure Food and Drug Law, June 30, 1906. For croup, whooping cough, etc. It expels coughs and colds by gently moving the bowels. Guaranteed.—G. M. Ramsey, druggist. 1 m

Santa Claus' Den

That's the Mason Drug Company's Store during the next ten days.

All sorts of Xmas novelties and toys; presents to please anybody, however fastidious. And remember, no big prices prevail. Nice assortment of China goes at 50 cents on the dollar.

Mason Drug Co.

OVERDRAFTS

It is becoming well known by business men that overdrafts, whether large or small, are not approved by the comptroller of the currency. The large central banks allow overdrafts only in a very small way, and this, it matters not how small, is not approved by the powers that be. This unbusinesslike habit of overdrafts grew out of advancing on moving products, such as cotton, grain and fat stock on the move. The overdraft system is wrong and the man whose account is always overdrawn is the man who spends more money than he makes and will finally have no bank account.

Ada National Bank

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Ada, Ind. Ter.

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Our stock consists of all the leading varieties of peach, apple, pear, plum, cherry and apricot trees. A full line of berry and small fruit plants. Thirty varieties of everblooming roses. A nice line of flowering shrubs, vines, evergreens, etc. A dozen varieties of ornamental shade trees. Do you believe in patronizing home industries? Then let us at least figure on your bill. Our stock is first class and our prices are right. See us before you buy. We can save you money.

Nurseries located at extreme west end of 17th St.

REGISTER YOUR NAME

We have selected, with a deal of care, a very handsome calendar which will be an ornament in any home. We cannot afford to hand these special calendars out indiscriminately but want to put one in each home both in Ada and surrounding country. We invite one lady or gentleman out of each family to call and give us their name and address so that we may reserve one for them for delivery on and after Dec. 20, 1906. Remember we can only afford one to each home and request you to register early as the supply may be exhausted too late for us to obtain more.

FIRST NATIONAL BANK
ADA, IND. TER.

LOCAL NEWS

Mrs. Hattie Webb of Konawa took the train for Gunter, Texas.

W. L. Reed returned from a trip to Durant.

G. Maret of Sherman was here prospecting for land.

H. Woodard and R. Woodard and wife came in from Konawa this afternoon.

J. A. E wards, of Stratford, attended to business in Ada today.

Mrs. Geo. Frierson and infant son left today for Gainesville to spend the holidays.

D. A. Spears was up from Owl over night.

R. J. England, a Kansas City loan man, spent the night in Ada.

Mrs. I. McNair is visiting in the city.

J. J. Bennett, cashier First National Bank of Stephenville, Texas, was transacting business here.

Rev. A. J. Austin went to Stonewall to fill his Sunday appointments.

M. Calvey went to Tupelo.

Sunday school at 9:45 tomorrow at the First Presbyterian church, and reaching at the usual hours 11 a. m. and 7:15 p. m. Christian Endeavor at 3 p. m. at the Cumberland Presbyterian church. Everybody invited to attend these services.

LOST: White bird dog, 2 or 3 black spots, one eye black. Suitable reward for his recovery. Notify First Natl. Bank. 229 2t

Ada Opera House

A Lucky Purchase

SAVE \$1.00 A PAIR

We have just received a large shipment of Sample Shoes which we are putting on sale for less money than other merchants can buy them. We have these samples in all the fine grades of shoes in Men's, Boys', Women's and Children's in nothing but the latest styles.

CHAPMAN

The Shoe Man



For sale by R. S. TOBIN

First Published Dec. 15, 1906
Notice of Sale of Real Estate by Mortgage

Indian Territory, Southern District: WHEREAS, on the 1st day of January, 1906, J. B. Daggs and S. Daggs, husband and wife, of Ada, I. T. did grant, bargain, sell, and convey unto J. R. McGraw of Ada, I. T. his heirs and assigns, the following tract of real estate, situated in the town of Ada, I. T.:

Lot thirteen (13) of Block ninety-eight (98) of the townsite of Ada, I. T. And whereas, the said conveyance was on condition that if the said J. B. Daggs and S. Daggs would pay or cause to be paid unto the said J. R. McGraw, eight months from date, the sum of One Thousand Dollars (\$1000.00) as evidenced by their one promissory note, dated Jan. 1, 1906, for \$1000.00, for value received, due September, 1, 1906, with interest at 8 per cent after maturity, payable to the order of J. R. McGraw, then the said conveyance to be null and void, otherwise to remain in full force and effect.

And whereas, the said instrument of conveyance was duly recorded in the Records' office in the District Clerk's office at Ada, I. T. in Vol. 8, page 311 of the Real Estate Records, and

Whereas, the said conveyance was further conditioned that in case the said J. B. Daggs and S. Daggs made default in the payment of the said note at its maturity, or the taxes or insurance of said property, then the whole sums intended to be secured by the said instrument of conveyance, should become immediately due and payable without notice, and the said J. R. McGraw, his assignee agent or attorney should have the power to sell the said property, or any part thereof, at public sale to the highest bidder for cash at the front door of the Court House at Ada, I. T., public notice of the time and place and terms of said sale, having first been given thirty days before the date of said sale by advertising in some newspaper published in, or in circulation in said town or Territory; and at which sale the said J. R. McGraw or his assignee may bid and purchase as any third person might do, and the said J. B. Daggs and S. Daggs thereby and therein authorized the said J. R. McGraw, or assignee, to convey the said property to any purchaser at the said sale and the recitals of the deed of conveyance should be taken as prima facie true, and the proceeds of the sale to be first applied to the payment of all costs and expenses attending the said sale; and second, to the payment of the said debts, and interests, and the remainder, if any, to the said J. B. Daggs, and S. Daggs, and

Whereas, the said J. B. Daggs and S. Daggs have wholly made default in complying with the conditions of the said conveyance, and the said note is past due and unpaid and now

Therefore, by the authority vested in me by the said instrument hereinbefore mentioned, notice is hereby given, that on the 16th day of January, 1907, at 2:00 p. m., at the front door of the Court House at Ada, I. T., I will sell at public sale to the highest bidder for cash, the following described real estate to-wit:

Lot Thirteen (13) of Block Ninety-eight (98) of the Townsite of Ada, I. T.

All rights of appraisal, sale or redemption are waived.

Witness my hand at Ada, I. T., this 14th day of December, 1906.

J. R. MCGRAW,
Mortgagee.
By Thomas P. HOLT, Attorney.

Paying Chickasaw Warrants.

Muskogee, I. T., Dec. 14.—The payment of all outstanding Chickasaw school warrants, was begun by the United States Indian agent Tuesday in keeping with a notice recently issued.

By 3 o'clock thirty thousand dollars worth of these warrants had been paid. Before the act of congress providing for the passage of these warrants they sold for fifty cents on the dollar.

First Presbyterian Church.

Preaching tomorrow at 11 a. m., and 7:30 p. m. Sabbath School 9:45 a. m. The children of the two Presbyterian Churches are requested to meet promptly after school Monday, to practice for Xmas exercises.

Frisco Will Scour

I. McNair, Frisco agent, has had the station walls painted inside and out. Now he is having pipes laid so he can get city water and scour the floors.

Extra Special Values in Men's Suits and Overcoats

Are to be had here every day in the week. Values that are unmatched. On investigation you will find our prices much lower for the same class of merchandise elsewhere.

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Our \$14 Suits marked to - \$10.00
Our \$15 Suits marked to - \$11.50
Our \$10 Suits marked to - \$7.50
Our \$5 Beaver Overcoats marked to - \$3.25
Our \$7 to \$8 Overcoats marked to - \$4.95
Our \$12.50 Overcoats marked to - \$9.50
Our \$11.50 Cravenette Coats - \$8.75

Our Boys' and Children's Suits have been reduced in proportion

Just received a nice line of Holiday Presents. Come and see the exceptional values in Cravats, Silk Handkerchiefs and Mufflers, Half Hose and a large variety of up-to-date Hats at prices you can't match elsewhere.

I. HARRIS

The Leading Clothing House in Ada

About Titles

In a recent Minnesota supreme court case Justice Flandrau, reviewing the labor and skill necessarily displayed in the compilation of an abstract, says: "The making of a perfect abstract of title to a piece of land with all the incumbrances which affect it, involves a great exercise of legal learning and careful research. The person preparing such an abstract must understand fully all the laws on the subject of conveyancing, descent and inheritances, uses and trusts, devices, and in fact every branch of the law that can affect real estate, in its various mutations from owner to owner, sometimes by operation of law, and again by act of the parties."

Your title is of first importance Our Abstracts insure your title

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W. H. EBEY, President.

COAL!

We now have a supply of MEALESTER LUMP Coal. It will be sold at \$7.00 per ton. CASH. No credit extended to anyone; drivers will collect

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Rockers \$1 to \$12, golden and quartered oak. Veneer, cobbler and upholster seats. Upholstered back and seat with genuine leather. Latest up-to-date designs.

The material is right

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The finish is right

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The point here is easily seen. The point of goodness in

CIGARS

are not so easily seen. The real goodness of a REALLY GOOD CIGAR lies hidden under the wrapper. Sumatra wrapper is like charity, it covers a multitude of sins. Buy your cigars here and the points of goodness will come out in the smoking.

G. M. RAMSEY, Druggist
(Successor to Clark Drug Co.)

Santa Claus

is

Coming



For several years we have been Ada's Santa Claus house. This year we are going to try to win the reputation of being the Santa Claus house for thirty miles around. Santa Claus writes us there is no Toy Store anywhere like the Nickel Store, where everything is conveniently arranged and conveniently marked in plain prices, which are the lowest in the city. Every old favorite for both boys and girls will be found in this all embracing collection, and everything that's new.

Dolls!

in great variety, solid China dolls, China limb dolls, Kid body dolls, dressed dolls too numerous to describe and quote prices on them, 1c, 5c, 10c, 15c, 25c and up to \$1.50

Toy China Tea Sets

From 5c to \$1.00.

Children's A B C Books,

Picture Books, etc., 5c, 10c and 25c.

Photograph Albums,

from 25c to \$3.75.

Gift Bibles

for teachers preachers, workers Bibles. large assortment, low prices.

Magic Lanterns from 49c up to \$3.00.

Fine China for Xmas Presents

SALAD DISHES—25c, 39c, 50c, 75c, \$1.50.

CAKE PLATES—Beautiful ivy leaf work, 50c.

SHAVING MUGS—Special good values from 10c to 65c

CUPS AND SAUCERS—Largest fancy patterns, some high priced ones, and a lot of pretty styles at very little cost, 15c, 25c, 50c.

Odd Dishes and Plates, great variety, all kinds of shapes and sizes. All priced at attractive plain figures.

Christmas Candies.

Freshest, nicest, largest stock of candies in the city.

Chocolates, cocoa bon bons and mixed candies 12c a lb

Oranges, owing to the size, 15, 20, 25c, 40c per doz

We have several choice pieces best make silverware, most appropriate for Christmas gifts.

Useful Dinner-ware for Xmas Gifts.

Queensware, English white semi porcelain cups and saucers, 50c set. Regular dinner size plates, 45c set. We have the decorated dinnerware we are selling very cheap. We also have a fine line of real China dinnerware in great variety.

A merry Christmas to all for we are all children at heart, so let everybody visit the Nickel Store where you can find presents for old and young. Something to suit all tastes' prices to suit all purses. Toys, Books, games, Dolls, pocketbooks, gloves, handkerchiefs, suspenders, bric-a-brac, jewelry, ornaments, pictures and a thousand and one things to select from.

Call early and make selections.

The Nickel Store

Quick Sales.

Small Profits:

Cash.

Exercise of the Franchise.

Edward L. Thorndyke, writing on education, especially high school education, in the Bookman, says a knowledge of the duties and privileges of the exercise of the franchise ought to be one of the cardinal teachings of our high school.

"The exercise of the franchise," he tells us, "is no longer chiefly a matter of honesty and good-will and wisdom in choosing between two clear lines of party policy or between two sets of officials. It is a matter of more or less expert knowledge.

"A future voter ought to know that for a city to give a traction company the use of its streets is identical with giving a neighbor the use of part of your house, wise or unwise, according to who the neighbor is and what he pays you; he ought to know that laws can do more against consumption than medicine can; he ought to believe that one man's gain need not be others' loss, as surely as he believes that two and two are not five; he ought to understand as clearly as he understands addition that a man's contribution to the world is to be measured by the number and worth of the wants he satisfies, and that a man's cost to the world is to be measured by the deprivations he causes. Is it not silly to let the youth of the land spend twelve years in school and at its close be unable, even though he wishes, to protect common property as well as his own, ignorant of the simplest rudiments of public hygiene, possessed by the fallacy that what others have been taken from him, and burdened with the superstition that a man gives to the world what he spends in it and takes from it the wealth he acquires. Is it not a calamity that although eight out of ten of our high school graduates will live in cities or city suburbs, there is apparently in no high school a course on municipal problems?"

Higher Education.

In his Chancellor's Address at the fourth centenary of Aberdeen University, Lord Strathcona compared higher education in Great Britain with that in Germany and the United States. While praising Aberdeen, he held that the Old World has much to learn from the New. He was convinced that on this side of the Atlantic our institutions of learning adapt themselves more easily and readily to the needs of their constituencies. "They found out long ago that law and medicine and theology are not the only legitimate points of academic study; and in their faculties of applied science they are training their young men to do work that is most loudly called for. They have never accepted the view that universities must necessarily be institutions cloistered and apart from the main current of public life and service." In this country there is, indeed, little danger that the college-bred man may sacrifice practical utility to remote ideals. But, as Mr. A. C. Benson lately remarked in his paper on "The Uselessness of Knowledge," the pursuit of knowledge as an end is not inconsistent with practical activity. This is easily to be seen in Germany, which, with her high university standards, has combined advanced and successful methods in industry and commerce. Give a youth a trained mind, and then, if he chooses to be "practical," he can be more intensely so than any of your rule-of-thumb men.

The Velocity of Light.

Light moves with the amazing velocity of 185,000 miles a second, a speed a million times as great as that of a rifle bullet. It would make the circuit of the earth's circumference, at the equator, seven times in one beat of the pendulum. For a long time the light was thought to be instantaneous, but it is now known to have a measurable velocity. The discovery was first made by means of the eclipses of Jupiter's satellites. Jupiter, like the earth, casts a shadow, and when his moons pass through it, they are eclipsed, just as our moon is eclipsed when passing through the earth's shadow. Jupiter's shadow far surpasses in magnitude that of the earth. His moon revolves around him more rapidly than our moon revolves around the earth, and their orbits are nearly in the plane of the planet's orb. Consequently, says the Hesperian, they all, with the exception of the fourth and most distant satellite, pass through the planet's shadow and are eclipsed at every revolution.

A Danish estate has been purchased by the dowager empress of Russia. Evidently she recognizes the necessity of providing herself with a place in which she may retire after she and Pobiedonosteff find it impossible to go on running things in Russia.

A football player was killed in Michigan the other day, which shows that the new rules are not nearly so unsatisfactory as people supposed they were.

AGED INDIAN TIRES OF LIFE.

Last of the Mohicans, 101 Years Old, Now Wants to Die.

Worcester, Mass.—Miss Frances Freelon Jackson, the only real Indian in Worcester, and the "last of the Mohicans," is 101 years old. Only the immediate friends of Miss Jackson and her niece, Mrs. Hester Brown Gardner, 6 Grand street, court, with whom Miss Jackson lives, were present at the little observance of the day which was held. Miss Jackson was disappointed that she did not die on her hundredth birthday, and has no desire to live. Miss Jackson has a romance connected with her life. When she was 17 years old she became engaged to an Indian, one of the Mohican tribe. Her mother objected to the wedding, because she did not want her daughter to marry a man with a roving disposition like an Indian's. "You'll never have a chance to break another match for me," she said to her mother, and she kept her word.

She has been a member of the Methodist Episcopal church in Colchester, Conn., for 89 years. She has many peculiarities, one of which is her positive refusal to eat anything containing lard or pork. She thinks that all swine contain devils, and that it would be directly against the Bible to eat pork in any shape, form or manner.

Miss Jackson was born in Franklin, Conn., October 5, 1805. She was the second child of a family of ten. Her father was Anson Jackson, a pure blooded Spanish Indian. Her mother was Phileno Mezo, a Mohican. They were not roving Indians, and lived peaceably in Connecticut. Her mother lived to be 101 years old. She fell five years ago, breaking her hip, and as it never was set, she has been a cripple since that time. She has good eyesight, a good constitution, and yet she welcomes the day that will bring her life to a close.

LIMBURGER IS ODORLESS.

Utopian Dream by a Wisconsin Expert and Milwaukee Laughs.

Milwaukee.—An odorless limburger cheese is the Utopian dream of Dairy and Food Commissioner J. D. Emery, who has announced that he is convinced from a long series of experiments by State Chemist Fischer that the characteristic smell is caused by dirt and filth in the milk and utensils used in its manufacture.

"I would not like to say what I thought when I read the statement of Commissioner Emery," said H. B. Stanz, one of the largest dealers in cheese in Milwaukee. "It is not policy for me to express my feelings, but I will say this, that it is not dirt that causes the smell; it is the tin foil wrappings, keeping it airtight while it ages, which gives it this virtue.

"The smell of limburger cheese is necessary to make it good. The odorless limburger cheese would be nothing but a tasteless mass of curds. In its making the cheese is soft and after being salted it is dipped in brine and whey to permit it to make its own rind. After pressing it is set away for about four weeks and it then begins to take on some of the small characteristic of the product. It is then wrapped in paper and tin foil to keep it airtight. Being kept from the air, it ages and ripens and its thin rind permits the smell to escape."

PURPLE INK FROM CORNSTALKS

Tennessee Farmer Has Remarkable Crop Which Is a Valuable One.

Nashville, Tenn.—David Anderson, a farmer of Poelton, just over the Davidson county line, in Cheatham county, is raising a crop of corn which promises much greater money returns than ordinary field corn. The yield in ears is equal to that of any other corn, and it is a sweet, excellent table corn. But the stalks appear at first glance to be covered with purple dye, and the sap is of the same dark hue. From one stalk as much as a pint and a half can be obtained, and the fluid makes a permanent writing ink, rich purple in color. Mr. Anderson has been experimenting for ten years in the endeavor to grow corn with dark purple sap, which could be converted cheaply into a good quality of ink, and he believes he has at last succeeded. He has a half-acre patch, the result of a decade of experimenting, and is confident that the ink will be a commercial success.

Freak Fruit Is Grown.

Stanford University, Cal.—Students and faculty of Stanford university were astounded when Luther Burbank the plant wizard, exhibited an apple which was red and sweet on one side and yellow and sour on the other. Burbank was speaking on plant evolution. He said a certain difficult experiment might be achieved by infinite patience and constant work, but it would be much more difficult than making a delicious fruit both sour and sweet. Burbank offered a reward of \$1,000 for an ounce of horseradish seed, saying that he had tried ten years in vain to cultivate the seed.

See No Harm in Hazing.

Talking about hazing in British schools, the dean of Canterbury said he once had to drink a glass of salt and water so thick with salt that a ruler would stand upright in it, and it did not do him any harm. The system turned out some good men. He hoped the easier and more comfortable education of the present would turn out better.

Seasonable Entertainments and Suggestions for Social Functions

By EDITH A. BROWN

Society Editor of the Chicago Record-Herald.

Poet's Middle Name Gives Key for Decoration—Appropriate Quotations for the Courses—A Reading of the Author's Poem "Pumpkin Pie" Makes an Effective Prelude to the Dessert.

All seasons very evidently held beauty and happiness for Whittier, but with his Snow Bound, his Frost Spirit and other poems of like nature, the fact that his birthday anniversary comes on December 17 seems particularly appropriate. Whittier's centennial is not far away, the coming anniversary marking the ninety-eighth birthday of the poet, who died in September, 1892.

The nearness of the anniversary date makes Whittier the next in the series of birthday luncheons for American poets.

The table of honor may be a play upon the poet's unusual middle name, in decoration. In his poem "My Namesake" he takes this liberty himself, inserting the line, "A Greenleaf on your own green banks" in his first stanza. This may be chosen as the line of decoration for the first table, or merely the name of the poet may be used. For another the use of cut flowers will answer to the half-line "breath of flowers" from "At Eventide," and still another table of cut flowers may be used with the line "Blow from summer's blossomed land" from the "Prayer of Agassiz." If hemlocks or a like green may be secured "Snow Bound's":

"The somber green Of hemlock— Will make a pretty winter table.

For the outside page of the folder-menu, water-color vines of green leaves should be used. If a folder is not desired a heavy card with the leaves delicately painted and the menu printed over is equally attractive. The dates December 17, 1897—September 7, 1892, should be printed immediately below the full name of the poet. If the folder is used this will be placed on the first page; if the card, at the top. For the second page of the folder or immediately beneath the dates on the card this line from "Peace-Autumn":

"Peace that sits as Plenty's guest." If an opening course of oysters is served take the line "Their scallop-shells so many bring" from "My Namesake," for the description. For a bouillon course which may follow, another line from the same poem—"Imagination held in check"—will serve. Fish of any kind may be described as follows:

Old ocean's treasures in."

This comes from "The Fisherman." For the roast or meat course two lines from "The Drovers" may be chosen to serve: "No bones of leanness rattle," or—

"Stately beeve bespeaks the hand That fed him unrepining."

Salad, with its bad reputation as a digestive, may be described by the use of the lines:

"—somehow smuggled in To keep the thorus and thistles company."

This comes from "The Fruit Gift." If a game course is wanted the lines from "The Exiles":

"My life is hunted—evil men Are following in my track" may be used.

Coming in the very shadow of the holiday time, and following so closely the Thanksgiving season, the regulation coffee, cakes and cream might be varied at this Whittier luncheon, and pumpkin pie, apples, nuts and sweet cider served instead. Before the serving of the pumpkin pie some one should read the poet's poem to the "Pumpkin Pie," which is vivid enough to make the mouth water even after so hearty a repast as the one outlined. On the menu should read:

"Thy life be as sweet, and its last sunset sky Golden-tinted and fair as thy own pumpkin pie."

Then, while the nuts and apples are eaten, and the cider sipped, the whole or passages from "Snow Bound" should be read. These lines from the poem should be found on the menu card: "The mug of cider simmered slow The apples sputtered in a row, And close at hand the basket stood With nuts from brown October's wood."

If, however, this last portion of the menu is not desired, and the regulation ice cream or ice is chosen instead, take the words, "Our hills of snow" from "Peace-Autumn" for the menu.

At the very bottom of the menu-card, or on the last page of the folder, use these lines from "Flowers in Winter":

"It was a happy thought to bring To the dark season's frost and rime This painted memory of spring, This dream of summer time." (Copyright, by Joseph B. Bowles.)

Sticks Tight.

A bad habit resembles a porpoise plaster on a man's inner consciousness.

POLAND IS UNFORTUNATE.

Great Power at One Time Was Finally Annihilated as a Nation.

If Poland, in the distant past, had had some wise old Ben Franklin to give his colleagues sound advice as to the value of "all hanging together," that unfortunate land, in the estimate of many historians, would have escaped many disasters. It was a great power at one time. When at its greatest, previous to 1660, it had an area of about 375,000 square miles and a population of about 15,000,000. It extended northward to the Baltic sea and the Gulf of Riga; westward to Brandenburg; southward to Hungary and nearly to the Crimea and eastward so as to include most of the valley of the Dnieper. This is just about equal to the combined areas of Illinois, Michigan, Ohio, Indiana, Kentucky, Wisconsin and Minnesota. Poland reached from within 90 miles of Berlin to within 150 miles of Moscow. Before its final partition in 1795 the area of Poland had been reduced to 94,164 square miles with a population of 4,500,000. But even this was about equal to the combined areas of Illinois and Ohio. During the tenth century Poland began to assume consistency and unity, but about the same time the distinction between the nobles or warrior class and the agriculturalists began to be drawn. A sharply defined caste resulted. The aristocracy was entirely out of sympathy with the peasantry. The classes and masses did not "hang together."

It was in 1572 that Poland passed under the regime of elected kings. The national diet elected them and on this and on all other matters the decision of the diet had to be unanimous. If a single member exercised his veto all legislation was at a standstill. More unnatural still was the recognized right of any nobles to confederate for the purpose of effecting their will by the force of arms. Thus was produced an enfeebled government. Wars and internal strife so greatly weakened Poland that its partition followed.

Catherine II. of Russia especially wanted her country to get into the circle of the western powers and Poland stood in the way. The first partition came in 1772. Russia, Prussia and Austria benefited. The three monarchs of these countries were respectively Catherine the Great, Frederick the Great and Maria Theresa. This is one reason why Frederick's statue in Washington is not loved by many American citizens. Members of the Polish diet, according to the historians, were freely bribed to agree to the concessions of the partition. They did not "hang together."

One of the most glorious chapters in the history of Poland is that of its defeat and final annihilation as a nation. This was the day of revolt and gallant struggle which followed the first partition of Poland and which ended with the third and final partition in 1795. At one time Gen. Kosciuszko—who is beloved by Americans for the gallant part he took in the American war of the revolution—with a force of 4,000 peasants, mostly armed with scythes, defeated an army of 6,000 Russians. Kosciuszko was made dictator and drove the Russians from Warsaw, but dissensions among the Poles ruined their cause at the moment of seeming triumph. Not even then did they "hang together." Poland ceased to exist as a state when its army, gallantly led by Kosciuszko, went down before the Russians. But as a people to this day it has stubbornly nursed the hope of successful insurrection.

Thought It Was a Secret.

Judge O. M. Spencer, a St. Louis (Mo.) lawyer, tells this one on himself: A local dealer in horseflesh sold a good looking steed to a customer, who on the second day after the sale brought him back and angrily demanded the restoration of his money on the ground that the animal was blind.

"You had the meanness," said the irate man to the dealer, "to sell me a horse as blind as a bat, and never said a word about it."

"What you say is true, and I can't deny a word of it," responded the other, "but I bought him from Spencer only last week, and as he failed to say anything about the horse being blind I supposed it was a secret."—Washington Post.

Two Penniless Princes.

While the two elder sons of Prince Waldemar were out walking near Copenhagen recently night came on before they could return home, and finding the roads very heavy they kept a lookout for a conveyance. The only vehicle that passed them was a coal cart, and into this the two young princes climbed. On arriving at the outskirts of the town the driver refused to take them any further, and demanded payment. The princes explained that they had no money with them and told the man who they were, bidding him take them to the palace. He refused to believe their story, however, until a policeman arrived and, recognizing the princes, lent them some money so that they could return to the palace in a tramway car.—London Daily Mail.

Pat Reply.

A temperance lecturer, speaking in Keene, N. H., reminded his hearers of this story of Dives and Lazarus. He pointed out how, when Dives was in Hades, he did not ask for beer or wine or whisky, but for one drop of water. "Now, my friends," said the lecturer, "what does that show us?" A voice from the back of the hall instantly replied: "It shows us where you temperance people go to."

THE ALDERMAN

By WILLIAM T. VALENTINE

From a seat in a city council to the United States senate! How that rang in the ears of the mortified alderman from the Ninth ward!

He could scarcely hope for election, but, although his party was in the minority, there was the hope he felt, and he was encouraged by the charming widow whom he believed was the most wonderful woman in the world. Then to be the candidate for such an office! It was more than he ever had hoped in his wildest ambitions.

"Then I am to accept?" he asked the fair Sylvia, who had dropped into his office as she often did just now. "Accept! My dear alderman! How can you think of anything else? I shall be so proud of my friend, United States Senator Saunders." And she gave a delicious little laugh of joy.

The alderman looked at her earnestly. That morning he had read a long article in his favorite paper to the effect that men married too young; that the woman a man admired at 20 was not his choice at 30. With such a woman by his side, nothing would be impossible. Then he pulled himself together. He was a man of honor, and, although he felt he had made a mistake in his marriage, he would be true in every sense of the word. In addition, this lady was womanly perfection and purity.

"There is no hope of an election," he said slowly.

"Who knows? I came to tell you something. Accept, and I will go to the capital and work for you." And she clapped her little hands.

"You will?" he asked, his eyes resting upon her flushed face.

"Work as hard as I can," she responded.

"But, Sylvia, the women you will encounter," he said, hesitatingly. He hated to mention them to her.

"In this case the end will justify my means. Just trust me." And, with a bright smile, she fluttered from his office. She had a habit of doing that. Staying just long enough for him to overcome his awe of her and then vanishing, always leaving behind that delicate perfume he had grown to associate with her.

The months had swung around until it was time for the gathering of the two houses at the capital. According to the election, Alderman Saunders' party was slightly in the majority and it was an honor to be a candidate for the office. In this case it was decided by a bare honor, for the party was poor and its choice was poorer. Suddenly, the party gathered together sufficient funds and the war was on.

The boss had been keeping in the background. He did not desire it known that every man on his party ticket was his.

"I'm thinking of retiring to private life," he would say, smiling as ever, when questioned. "I have done yeoman service to the party for years and it is time for me to go to the backwoods."

No one who knew him was fooled, however. In fact, one of the newspaper boys winked and whispered to another newspaper representative:

"Rot! You just put up your last plunk that when that wise old guy gives out such dope he's laying his wires all the deeper. Backwoods for him!"

"Guess you've hit it, all right, all right," grinned the other, but both went with the boss to the nearest saloon. Nothing ever was said against him, except in an undertone. As one of the boys said:

"The boss is too good about passes, taking care of the fellows out of a job and such things, for any of us to kick, even if we have to do others dirt now and then to suit him."

Of course, though, he went to the capital.

"Just to see the fun," he explained, dispensing cigars right and left, upon his arrival.

However, it might have been noticed that this man who said he was yearning for the simple life was present whenever anything important was going on, and that nothing was doing until he gave the signal.

All of this was noticed by the newspaper boys, and as they clustered about, during the wrangling over the speaker, one of them said, carelessly:

"Mark my word, the boss' friend goes in as speaker." And he did, and then, after some preliminary business, the houses came to the important matter of electing a United States senator in joint session.

"Alderman Saunders is getting a hustle on himself," these newspaper men noted, but they gathered at his headquarters, where he had established what seemed to him a free bar. The alderman let everyone who came take his cigars and drink his strong waters, although he remembered the time he had signed the pledge, back in his young days, and sometimes sighed.

At first the alderman could not understand things, but they were explained. The boss had paid him a visit, although he said, laughingly:

"Taking my life in my hands, eh, alderman? For me to venture into the den of a successful candidate like you, phew!"

And Saunders believed that there was no doubt of his election. The beautiful Sylvia had not appeared at his headquarters, but every morning she called him up and asked eagerly:

"How are you this morning, and how are things going on the inside?" Then she would add:

"Things are all going your way on the outside." And he imagined he could inhale her perfume over the wires.

Naturally, his rooms filled with visitors, the alderman had no time to move about the capital, but his "friends" brought him plenty of news and it was all of the same character, and when he retired the night before the balloting began he was certain of victory.

"Still, I would not like to go through such a time again, keeping bar as I have done, and going against all my principles," he thought as he turned on the electric light.

"A couple of letters from Felicia," he muttered. Then he looked for a delicate envelope, exhaling a perfume he would know among all the delicious odors of the orient. The delicate envelope was not there. He sighed and then opened his wife's letters. The last one astonished him. It consisted of a single page, but there was a sealed enclosure. On the page he read:

"After election, read the sealed letter. Wife."

The alderman was too tired and sleepy to care, and he tossed the letters into the drawer of his dresser, threw himself on the bed and went to sleep. The following morning, when he entered the room where his destiny was to be decided, the omnipresent reporter said to another of his fraternity:

"See the alderman grin." Another said, showing every tooth, in his amusement:

"It's too much of a good thing, this leading him on."

"That is it. Stuff's all set up before a vote is cast."

"Of course. The boss' man goes in by acclamation."

Then they laughed. The man whose hands pulled the wires, the boss, occupied an obscure position in that room, still he could both see and hear.

Alderman Saunders was still smiling when the ballot was called, and the smile remained, although it became fixed as ballot after ballot was voted. He saw man after man who had promised him his vote steadily delivering it to another, a dark horse selected at the eleventh hour. In a short time it was all over. Alderman Saunders was defeated. He knew that he was hopelessly beaten and that his rout had been accomplished by one man, the boss.

With true dignity, he left the room, head erect, so that those who had gazed him most were forced to respect, and more than one admitted:

"He's dead game."

Reaching his room, he threw himself in a chair. He scarcely knew what to do. Suddenly his eyes fell upon his wife's letters, plainly visible in the half-opened drawer of his dresser, and he muttered:

"Wonder what she has to say." Taking them up and opening the sealed packet, he read:

"Darling, come home; we want, need, love you!"

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CRIMINALS OF BIRD WORLD.

They Steal Eggs from the Nests of Other Birds.

A subject which has exercised me this summer has been as to what bird it is with a bill seemingly smaller than a jay's which plunders others' nests, breaking and sucking the eggs, says a writer in Country Life.

In one small piece of hedge I found one blackbird's and two thrushes' nests all treated in the same way, the three showing among them the wreckage of 11 eggs, all similarly pierced and emptied. The missel thrush has been suspected of the offense, and in this case I should suppose it to be the missel thrush if it were not that a pair of butcher birds nested in the same hedge.

It is perhaps unjust to suspect the butcher bird on no better evidence than its mere proximity to the scene of the crime, and it may be questioned if the shrike would dare to rifle the nest of either a blackbird or a thrush. A suggestion which I have not seen made and which I throw out only as a possibility is that the culprit is no burglar, but neither more nor less than one of the parent birds themselves.

Dr. Bisbee Got Even.

Rev. Dr. Bisbee, editor of the Universalist Leader, is noted for being one of the nimblest witted of the clergy, says a writer in the Boston Herald. On one occasion he was hurriedly sent for to conduct a service in a small town outside of Boston, in place of a certain Dr. Blank, who was unable to be present. He went and at the close of the service was introduced to some of the parishioners. One man, who thought himself something of a wag, on shaking hands sought to embarrass the preacher.

"This is rather a surprise," he said. "The paper said Dr. Blank was to preach. I asked one of my friends what kind of a man he was, and he said he was the handsomest man in the denomination. Now what do you suppose I thought when you stepped into the pulpit?"

As quick as a flash the good doctor replied: "Why, I suppose you said to yourself: 'There! That's Blank!'"

WHAT IS THE HIDDEN SECRET?

Mystery of Writing on Yellow Slip of Paper That Ended Contest for \$60,000,000.

Something in Written Memorandum in the Fine Hand of William Weightman Humbled the Pride of Mrs. Jones Wister and Drove Lawyers Out of Court—Neither Side Will Talk.

Philadelphia.—One little slip of yellow paper, covered with fine, closely written lines, but it humbled the pride of a woman high in society in Philadelphia; it drove three skillful lawyers out of court in confusion and assured to another woman the undisputed control and possession of the \$60,000,000 left by old William Weightman.

Dramatic scenes are common in the courts of the land, strong situations are not infrequent, but the oldest lawyers say they cannot recall a scene quite so strong or a situation quite so cleverly worked up as the one in which Mrs. Jones Wister and her counsel confessed utter defeat at the hands of Mrs. Ann Weightman Walker and her lawyers.

In the Orphans' Court, presided over by Judge Ashman, the clerk, rattling over the calendar of hearings, comes to the case of "Charles d'Invilleers, as guardian, etc., vs. Margaret Weightman, a minor, etc., vs. Ann Weightman Walker, executrix and others," and stops as from two tables simultaneously come measured voices announcing "Trial!"

At the first of the counsel tables sit



Mrs. Weightman Walker.

the attorneys for the contestant. They are three and each of them well known at the bar—Alexander Simpson, Jr., an advocate quick in speech, fertile in resource; Samuel Dickson, advocate and counsel, hero of years of legal warfare; V. Gilpin Robinson, deep in the law, skilled in every trick and technicality. Just across the aisle is the table reserved for the defense. Attorney General Hapton Carson sits in the front. His reputation is more that state wide; behind him is Henry P. Brown and to the rear are the broad shoulders, strong face and keen eyes of John G. Johnson.

The Women in the Case.

To the rear of the counsel table, their chairs resting against the bar railing, is the line of women, five of them. Seated so closely that the

The case opens and the first witness is called. He is A. W. Hoopes, for years credit manager for the drug firm of Powers & Weightman, which was owned by William Weightman alone. The testimony of Hoopes is of no consequence except to himself, because he tells of the gift of \$100,000 made to him by Mrs. Walker after the death of her father. This causes a mild sensation, but that dies down as the plans of the contestants begin to unfold. It is obvious that they expect to show that to the will of 1895 made by Weightman a codicil was added which distributed to the six daughters of Mrs. Jones Wister, once Mrs. William Weightman, Jr., a proportionate share of the estate. It develops soon after that they know a paper was drawn up and it is now in the possession of Mrs. Walker.

Old Man's Grim Prophecy.

What induced the belief that it was a codicil is a letter treasured by Mrs. Wister in the aged man's fine copper plate writing received a few years before his death. It is written on the Fourth of July.

"I have been much annoyed by the fireworks all day around the house, but I have just signed and attested a paper which will some day make more noise than three such holidays."

Couched as it was in the friendliest terms, addressed to the woman now contesting, in reality, there was every reason for her and her lawyers to think it is a codicil or a direction at least in aid of his grandchildren. That it might be revenge or a grim joke never entered their heads.

The will is produced and read, and after the aged Hoopes has left the stand a stout, red mustached man of about 50, answering to the name of Edward T. Davis, is sworn in and begins his testimony. He was William Weightman's private secretary and, real estate agent for about 23 years. He was a witness to his will.

The examination had now reached a point that threw a hush over everybody but the two. It appears that upon Davis the contestants relied to prove there had been a codicil. Mr. Simpson took up that phase.

"Do you remember a paper afterward written by Mr. Weightman and locked in his desk?" began the lawyer suavely.

The witness hesitates as if reluctant to answer, but he finally answers, quietly: "Yes, I remember it."

Mr. Robinson draws himself up importantly. "Mr. Carson," he exclaims, impressively, "I am afraid we shall have to call upon you to produce that paper."

Just at that moment Mr. Carson is very busily engaged in trying to make his thumbs go around in opposite directions.

Mr. Robinson grows rather impatient. "Come, Mr. Carson, we are asking for that paper!" The attorney general looks up as if in surprise.

Yellow Slip Produced.

"Oh, yes, to be sure," he exclaimed

ing, and the witness turns it over to the eager hands of Mr. Robinson. The lawyers eyes fall upon the writing while his associates look at him. Suddenly Mr. Robinson sits down. His eyes open wide and the color flees from his face. As in a trance he reads and rereads the fateful words. Mr. Robinson received it without a word. He hands it over to Mr. Simpson without a word and he turns pale, too. Mr. Dickson reads it, but that grim old warrior of the bar makes no sign. Only he does not smile any more.

That was all. There were a few half-hearted questions further, and then the attorneys for the contestant arise and ask a continuance. They do not say an indefinite continuance. But they do not ask for a further date. They would not say if they will ever open the case again.

Neither Side Will Talk.

What did that yellow slip contain? For all questions there has been but one official answer:—"Nothing to say." Mrs. Walker's lawyers have only said grimly:—"Let them tell."

"We will say nothing," declare Mrs. Wister's attorneys.

"My lawyers tell me to say nothing," is the sole reply of the woman in the case.

Jones Wister, gentleman of the old school, proud of his family, a millionaire himself, hesitates, for he is sorely tried, but he answers:—"I am requested not to say a word."

This is the supposed contents of the yellow slip: It refers to the personal relations existing at one time between Mrs. Wister and Mr. Weightman. She has said before that he wanted her to marry him at the time she was engaged to be married to Jones Wister. There is the testimony of Edward T. Davis that Mr. Weightman once said that she wanted him to marry her.

Those who recall the history of the Weightman millions smiled when they heard of the contest. Although the amount involved was large they asserted that it was not altogether money that inspired the action. Two women diametrically opposite in disposition, character and ambitions were only continuing a fight that meant more to them than mere money.

William Weightman, whose strange humor or hope for revenge inspired the contest at the same time he killed the hope of success, an Englishman by birth, was a chemist. He was one of the founders of the great firm of Powers & Weightman. That firm had a monopoly on the preparation of quinine for the market and during the civil war made a great fortune.

Weightman Family History.

William Weightman had two sons and a daughter. John Farr Weightman, the eldest son, was educated as a physician at home and abroad, but his father's business called him and he went into it, remaining until his death, in 1886.

William Weightman, Jr., married Sabatine d'Invilleers, a daughter of a French family that left France in time to escape the guillotine of the Reign of Terror. The family settled in Philadelphia and speedily took a commanding position in society.

Then came Ann, the daughter. More like the shrewd father than the sons, she was a business woman from the day she knew anything about the world. She became the wife of R. J. C. Walker, of Williamsport, and lived in that little Pennsylvania city for years, but she always took an interest in the business of her father, and she was regarded as having a man's shrewdness.

Mrs. William Weightman, Jr., cared nothing for business or the acquisition of money. Her tastes ran to entertainments and society. In the absence of the daughter she soon became the favorite in the big marble mansion fronting in Rittenhouse Square and Raven Hill, a magnificent country estate. As her six daughters were born they became the pets of the aged man and when William Weightman died in 1889, Mrs. Weightman, his widow, and her daughters went to live in the old mansion entirely.

Mrs. Walker did not like this arrangement and the real trouble started then. After her husband had served a term at Washington, they moved to Philadelphia and he went into the office of Powers & Weightman. Mrs. Walker was made a partner, and they attended to the business end. Mrs. Weightman remained at the home of her father-in-law until about 1895, and one day Philadelphia was surprised to hear that she had become the wife of Jones Wister.

The marriage of Mrs. William Weightman was the severing of the relations between the daughter-in-law and her children and the aged man. Mrs. Walker and her husband at once came into the ascendant.

William Weightman, Sr., died in August, 1904, and the following week his will, written by himself, showed he had left every penny of his fortune to his daughter without condition. He had made her executrix without bonds and spared her the necessity of filing an appraisal of the estate. Not a grandchild was mentioned in the will and not a penny left to charity.

The suit was brought when Mrs. Wister and her attorneys thought they had collected sufficient evidence to prove a codicil or testamentary intention to aid other members of the family. The almost forgotten Fourth of July letter was one of the foundations of the case, and men who knew William Weightman now say only an unsuspected streak of grim humor and dramatic feeling could have made him write that which arranged for a scene in court, with its strange outcome.

Studies to Preserve Youth.



LANGTRY DOES THIS TO REDUCE HER HIP LINE



STEAMING THE NECK AND THROAT



MASKING FOREHEAD WRINKLES

"I'll whisper to you how I keep my good looks," said a popular actress. "But for goodness sake don't say I told you."

"You see, it's this way. I am 43. And I pass for 28. Those who know me well say 33. But no one, not even my intimates, suspect me of being 40. And me 43! My birth certificate is burned up and the family bible is put away in storage. Nobody can tell how old I am. People tell me every day how young I look and many of them say—and they mean it—that I look more youthful now than I did ten years ago. And I believe it myself. And why should I not? I have been studying youth with an ardor that I never believed possible in the old days when I was letting myself go old."

"Letting yourself grow old is a habit. If you fall into it you will find it almost impossible to let yourself out of it. I had the habit and I know."

"The first and most inevitable of all old age faults is that of laziness. Laziness is the friend of old age. Actresses who grow old are lazy actresses. They have not the spirit nor the industry to remain young. It takes lots of industry."

"The matter of reducing the weight requires some mention. Eat little and walk a great deal. That's the whole secret in a nutshell. I drink nothing at any meal except breakfast. I walk after each meal, if possible, and I don't eat sweets. This keeps me slender and good looking."

"I weigh just forty pounds less than I did five years ago. This is a lot less. But, you see, my normal weight is only 125, and I had run up into the 60's. Don't weigh 160 if you can help it. It makes you look so very matronly. Try to keep slender. You may not be able to keep pretty. But you can certainly keep slender."

"Yes, and you can keep pretty if you want to. It is really only a matter of choice, you know. And everybody ought to choose to be pretty."

OF AID TO HOSTESS

SUGGESTIONS FOR NOVEL AND PLEASING ENTERTAINMENTS.

"Sock and Stocking Bazar" Amusing for Young People—New Animal Game—An Evening in Holland.

The following jingle was enclosed with a tiny silk stocking to the friends of a circle of young people who were working for a children's charity:

"This little sock we give to you
Is not for you to wear,
Please multiply your size by two
And place therein with care
In pennies or in cents,
Just twice the number that you wear

(We hope it is immense).
So if you wear a number ten
You owe us 20, see?

Which dropped within our little sock
Will fill our hearts with glee.
So don't forget the day and date
We'll answer when you knock.

And welcome you with open arms—
But don't forget the sock."

Besides the opening and counting the money received in the socks, tea and chocolate with wafers were to be served for the sum of ten cents; there was to be a booth decorated with Christmas ornaments and a tree on which hundreds of unfilled tartenel stockings were to be for sale at ten cents a dozen. And there was to be a table with socks and booties for babies for sale. These had been made by a dear old lady who had plenty of time and very little money to use for charity work and who showed her interest in this way.

An Animal Game.

I watched some children the other night who seemed to be having the best time imaginable over this game. They had slips of paper numbered from one to 15 and a black board such as many children possess. The oldest child, a girl about 11, seemed to be the leader and she whispered to each boy or girl in turn the name of an animal to be drawn on the board; each of the audience writing down opposite the figure what animal he thought the artist was attempting to portray. When 15 animals had been drawn the slips were collected and the child who had correctly guessed the most was to be awarded a prize which I learned was a treat to ice cream soda at the nearest drug store. The last I saw of the youthful artists they were taking account of stock to see if their finances would stand for a "soda" apiece or whether they would have to "share." The scheme would

be attractive arranged for children of larger growth.

A correspondent signing herself "Cinderella" asks if answers are expected to all letters and cards of condolence which she has received during the recent bereavement, saying that she has thanked all who remembered her with flowers. If she will take her visiting card with mourning border and write "Sincere thanks for your letter of sympathy" upon it and enclose in a small envelope, also black-bordered, her friends will understand that she can not reply at length to every one.

An Evening in Holland.

A club composed of a dozen ladies who are studying "The Netherlands" invited their friends to a pretty little entertainment. They had 12 living pictures from "Dutch" masters, reproduced in costume and posing as near like the original as it was possible to have them. Each member of the club was responsible for just one picture and she did her best to show it as perfectly as she could. The platform was on the stair landing where all could see from the drawing room and hall and the effect was lovely. A Holland brand of cocoa was served by a number of young girls dressed in the quaint "Dutch" peasant costume of orange and blue. The guests were so pleased that the club were asked to repeat the entertainment in a hall with an admission fee which was devoted to defraying the fee for drawing lessons for a poor but very talented boy.

MADAME MERRIL.

Taste in Curtains.

Nothing improves a house so much as the finishing touches of dainty white Swiss and soft nets. These give a dainty and filmy effect to the windows that is most charming and restful to the eyes. The glare from outside is mellowed, and the folds give soft shadows, which add greatly to the appearance of the room inside. Lace curtains have some advantages, as they keep clean longer than the softer materials, but when they are done up their last state is worse than their first. The starched appearance which they take on is impossible for the home that aims to be artistic.

To Make Eyelets.

There's a new way of making those troublesome eyelets, discovered by a girl who is locally famous for inventing labor-saving ideas.

It consists of running the eyelet around and then cutting it from end to end, and buttonholing it, making the stitches as deep as those upon the usual buttonhole, but reversing the stitch so that the edge stitches back upon the material instead of around the open edge of the eyelet.

A BEGGAR OF KHIVA.

Pathetic Figure Appealed to the Traveler from the East.

Once in an open square, where the dust pall forbade sight or breath, I directed my steps toward the source of a throbbing roll that ceaselessly wove itself in with the noise of voices and the pattering of unshod feet of beasts. As I neared it the noise became detached from the hubbub, a distinct and individual thing, which insistently claimed attention and made the very notes in the air dance to time. Under a willow tree, by the water ditch that defined the square, sat a bent old man, unbelievably ragged. So torn were his many khalats that they did not seem like constructed garments at all, but strings of tatters and tags collected and hung on his fat, weak body. His head was bent on his breast, and his eyes were half closed. On his stomach was a wooden bowl, with a skin drumhead stretched across it, and on this drumhead he beat incessantly with his knuckles and his fist. The motion was so automatic and deadly regular in its recurrent changes that it seemed almost as if he were a clockwork figure set at the edge of the busy market to record the passage of time. I flung some coppers on the brass begging tray by his side and went off, unconsciously adjusting my steps to his beating. He made the trivial barter and the driving of laden animals seem rapid and futile, and my bit of charity sickened me. It was as if I had happened along and patted Socrates on the back—Century.

ON LOOKOUT FOR HEIRLOOMS.

Articles for Which Pawnbrokers Will Pay Good Price.

A Frenchman of undoubted "blue" blood got stranded in New York. His only possession that could be converted into cash was a ring with an authenticated historic value. He consulted friends as to its most profitable disposition.

"Show it to collectors interested in such things," they advised. "Some one will probably give you a good price for it."

"Take it to a pawnbroker," one wise man suggested. "He will give you twice as much as the average collector."

The Frenchman accepted the advice of all; he visited both collectors and pawnbrokers, but he sold to a pawnbroker.

"I knew you would," commented the man who knew. "There are no people in town who have such a keen scent for heirlooms and other articles with a history as pawnbrokers. They are always on the lookout for such things and they are willing to pay for the romantic associations as well as for the intrinsic value. The average man of that calling is not supposed to have the bump of sentiment very highly developed, but he realizes the possibilities of such a pledge should it remain in his possession unredempted, and he is willing to secure it at the best possible terms to the customer."

Money Profit in Rose Growing.

Rose growing for purposes of perfumery would seem to be a profitable pursuit in those lands of which the climate is suitable for this species of intensified farming. It is calculated that on the third year after being planted a bush should produce about 200 flowers per square foot. As there are about 8,000 square feet in a hectare, or about two and a half acres, this is equal, if a flower is estimated to weigh four grams, to about 6,400 kilograms of flowers per acre. On the basis of eight decimeters of pure essence per kilogram of petals, this would give 5,120 kilograms of essence per hectare, which, at the very moderate rate of £40 per kilogram, would yield £204 16s. 8d. per hectare.—London Globe.

Pictured Hay Fever.

In Paris there is just now proceeding a seasonal discussion on hay fever, concerning which an amusing instance of the capricious nature of the infection is related. A lady was quite proof against catching the sneezings of hay fever from either hay or any other flower or plant except one. The mere sight of a rose used to set her sneezing violently. Knowing her weakness she carefully avoided these flowers, but one day she carelessly stopped before a still life painting representing a basket of roses. Almost instantly she was seized with a sneezing fit. Clearly imagination has its part in the case.

Need of Information.

The learned traveler had delivered his great lecture on the manners and customs of Japan.

"And now," he said, in conclusion, "I shall be pleased to answer questions pertaining to any peculiarities of this interesting people upon which I may not have touched in my discourse."

"Professor," eagerly asked a young married woman in the audience, "what do the Japanese do to plum juice to make it jelly?"

Campaign Material.

"What I want to give the people," exclaimed the orator, "is a speech that contains facts and figures."

"You are wrong," answered Senator Sorghum. "Human nature is the same in politics as everywhere else. If you want to get 'em really interested, give 'em gossip."



hems of their gowns touch, three might be on the other side of the world so far as the other two are concerned. The three chat quietly at times and the two do likewise, but their glances are never to the side except when the lorgnette is employed very much as when a woman goes slumming. Just behind her counsel or the counsel for the defendant sits Mrs. Jones Wister, past 60, gray-haired, cold looking but determined. At her side sits her sister-in-law, Mrs. Rodman Wister, similarly aged and similarly aristocratic looking, and at her side sits a pale slip of a girl, the nominal plaintiff or contestant in the case, looking as if she would fancy any other place in the world than this court room and any other time than this.

hurriedly; "pardon me." He seizes a green bag and begins to sort the papers therein hurriedly. He goes over them once or twice and at last finds what he seeks.

It is a single sheet of yellow paper, about five inches wide and six inches long, close ruled across and lengthwise. It is seen that it is written full on both sides and holds a notarial seal. A hasty glance and Mr. Carson passed it over to Simpson. Without glancing at it Mr. Simpson passed it up to Mr. Davis on the stand.

"Is that the paper?" he demands.

Davis studies it carefully.

"Yes, sir," is his answer, "but I did not know it had been acknowledged before a notary."

"We'll take the paper for a moment," continues Mr. Simpson, smiling.

10 MORE DAYS

AT THE GREAT Harvest Sale!

Now is the season when you will need winter clothes and shoes, and NOW is the time to secure what you need while the prices are away down below their real value. The last few days has found shrewd buyers carrying away the many bargains which they find here in every department.

We have just put on display another large line of sample Underwear, Hosiery, Suspenders, Shirts, Shawls, Fascinators, Hoods, Gloves, Ladies' and Misses Cloaks and Furs. This will be the last bunch of samples we will have this year and the prices are more attractive than ever.

Just Think of Prices Like These

Men's good Sox, per pair	4c	Boys' winter suits	\$1.00	Ladies' tailor-made skirt worth four times as much, each	\$1.00
Men's good Suspenders, per pair	15c	Boys' heavy fleeced shirts and drawers up to 34 in size, each garment	19	Ladies' long black cloak	\$2.85
Men's heavy fleeced Underwear, the 50c kind per garment	35c	Boys' "leather" stockings, worth 25c, per pair	20	Ladies' Furs 95c, \$1.25, \$2.50 and up to \$15. at wholesale prices, just the thing for Christmas presents.	
Men's winter suits	\$2.50	Boys' good hats, each	45	Ladies' Fascinators worth up to 50c bunched your choice	19c

Remember! Next Wednesday we will give away FREE a Ladies \$10.00 dress pattern. We give a ticket with each dollar purchase. Save them.

Good canton flannel	8 $\frac{1}{3}$ c	Fine white 11-4 white blankets only per pair	95c	Men's blanket lined duck coats, each	75c
The Best outing, people quote you as 12c outing at 9c, our price	8 $\frac{1}{3}$ c	Full size heavy comforts worth \$1.50, each	95c	Men's heavy winter shoes worth \$1.50 to \$1.75, per pair	\$1.00
Good dark outing per yd	5c	Fine large white Marsales bed covers worth \$1 75, each	\$1.25	Ladies' dongola dress shoes while they last, pair	95

This is our last appeal to you in the year 1906, and we are making prices on merchandise that should be convincing to every shopper that comes to Ada.

We ARE and WILL for a Few More Days sell More and A Better Class of Merchandise for a Given Amount of money than you Can Buy Elsewhere. We handle no trashy goods, but the best. We don't buy our goods on credit but for Cash; we don't sell goods on credit but for cash; therefore it should not take a very wise man to see that we have a stock of merit which we own at the very lowest price and are in position to sell at the very bottom prices.

The rest of the year we not only give you the small profit we have been making but in many instances more. Come help us. Every piece of winter goods must go.

COX-GREER DRY GOODS CO.

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